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Transmit the following Teletype message to:

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DIRECTOR, FBI (AIR MAIL) "Slim" "Thin Man"

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, ANTI-RACKETEERING.

USA ROBERT TIEKEN SUBMITTED A MEMORANDUM TO THIS OFFICE DATED OCTOBER 7, 1954, WHICH HE RECEIVED FROM VIRGIL W. PETERSON, OPERATING DIRECTOR, CHICAGO CRIME COMMISSION, ENTITLED "FRANCIS CURRY, LABOR RACKETEERING." 2 COPIES OF SAID MEMORANDUM ARE ENCLOSED HEREWITH. ACCORDING TO THE CHICAGO CRIME COMMISSION THE SOURCE OF THEIR INFORMATION WAS ONE [redacted] THE GENERAL CRIME SURVEY, CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION FOR PERIOD APRIL 15, 1946, TO APRIL 15, 1947, ON PAGES 389-390 CONTAINS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

"DURING THE PERIOD THAT CHIEF OVERBY WAS ACTIVELY ATTEMPTING TO DRIVE OUT THE TRANS-AMERICAN COMPANY FROM JOLIET, ILLINOIS

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INFORMANTS AND SOURCES OF INFORMATION IN THE JOLIET AREA WILL BE CONTACTED AND A COMPLETE FILE REVIEW ON FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, [redacted] AND VIRGIL FLOYD WILL BE SET FORTH IN A REPORT

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INCLUDING THE RESULTS OF OUR PROPOSED INTERVIEW [redacted]

THE USA WILL BE FURNISHED A COPY OF SAID REPORT AND WILL BE CONTACTED AT THAT TIME FOR HIS PROSECUTIVE OPINION. THEREAFTER THE BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF HIS OPINION BEFORE ANY FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS CONDUCTED.

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CHICAGO CRIME COMMISSION
79 West Monroe Street
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V. W. Peterson
Operating Director

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Honorable Robert Tieken
United States Attorney
United States Court House
Suite 450
Chicago 4, Illinois

Dear Mr. Tieken: Re: Francis Curry
Labor Racketeering

I have had submitted to me a memorandum concerning Francis Curry of Joliet, Illinois who has long had very close affiliations with the Capone gang. In fact, Francis Curry took care of Paul Ricca's farm in Kendall County, Illinois when Ricca was in the Federal Penitentiary. He also was questioned in connection with the parole scandal following Ricca's release on parole. I am incorporating below the memorandum concerning Francis Curry exactly as it was submitted to me:

RE: Francis Curry also known as slim and the thin man.

Local man whose father was a small time gambler and dabbler in rackets in a very small way. Father dies a natural death but two brothers who were engaged in bootlegging and gambling with Francis died

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Lee Kelly and his brother Dennis died of gunshot wounds with the gunmen never apprehended. Both brothers were active in politics and rackets most of their lives. They had a considerable string of slot machines at one time but gradually lost out to Curry who had syndicate backing. The Kellys also ran the bartenders and waitresses unions and were owners of a string of juke boxes.

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Lee was killed first and the boys gave up their slot machine business. [redacted]

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Curry now controls all juke boxes in Will County. [redacted]

[redacted] Curry has no competition. If they find a strange juke box or pinball machine a truck drives up with a syndicate machine. The old box is turned to the wall and the proprietor is told he has a new box and not to use the old one anymore. He doesn't. Strange pinball machines are destroyed in front of the proprietor with gunmen stand-guard. There are no complaints. The sheriff knows what goes on but with no complaints and no witnesses there isn't much he can do about it.

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For your further information, the Labor Record and A.F. of L. Weekly Newspaper published in Joliet, Illinois, September 30, 1954, lists the following business representatives of A.F. of L. Unions in Joliet:

Boilermakers	George Nolan	Chicago
Bricklayers & Masons	Olaf Anderson, 210 Lincoln,	Ph.3-0417
Carpenters	Hans Orbesen, Joliet 9617 &7524	
Electrical Workers	Edward Martin, Joliet 3-0841	
Glaziers	Charles Phieffer	Chicago Ra-6-6353
Iron Workers	Edward Pius	Joliet 2-3642

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Laborers	Don Franz	Joliet 2-9016
Lathers	Elvis Johnson	Joliet 2-2178
Operating Engineers	Carl Long	Joliet 2-3582
Painters	Stuart F. Beebe	Joliet 3-0841
Plasterers & Cement Masons	Ralph Gomora	Joliet 3-0841
Plumbers & Steam Fitters	Wm. Downey	Joliet 3-0841
Sheet Metal	Fred Rositch	Joliet 3-0841
Teamsters	Virgil Floyd	Joliet 4747
Tile Layers	Robert Shepherd	Chicago CH 3-2117

For your further information, the Building and Construction Trades Council of Will County and Vicinity (AF of L) has its headquarters at 69 N. Joliet Street, Joliet, Illinois.

It is trusted the above information may be of some interest to you and I assure you of our desire to cooperate with you fully at all times.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ Virgil W. Peterson

Virgil W. Peterson
Operating Director

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; Francis Jerome Curry; Alleged Employees in Union Matters, Joliet, Illinois	ANTI-RACKETEERING

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

A memorandum [redacted] alleges that CURRY controls certain labor unions in Joliet, Illinois, namely Bartenders and Waitresses; the Teamsters; the Laborers; the Retail Clerks, the Food Handlers; and the Electricans, and suggests that CURRY may have some connection with VIRGIL S. FLOYD, Officer of Local 179, Teamsters and Chauffeur's Union, Joliet, Illinois. [redacted] could furnish no evidence to substantiate these allegations. Informant contacts and information received to date fails to show any CURRY and FLOYD connections, or any indication that CURRY is connected with or controls any local unions.

DETAILS:

This investigation is predicated upon information referred to this office by United States Attorney, ROBERT TIEKEN, who in turn received said information in a letter dated October 7, 1954, from the Chicago Crime Commission. Said letter, captioned "FRANCIS CURRY,

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Labor Racketeering," contains a memorandum setting forth information concerning CURRY and his alleged interest in union matters in Joliet, Illinois.

The memorandum contained in the above mentioned letter reads as follows:

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"Local man whose father was a small time gambler and dabbler in rackets in a very small way. Father dies a natural death but two brothers who were engaged in bootlegging and gambling with Francis died

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[redacted] Chicago Crime Commission, 79 West Monroe Street, stated it was learned that the author of the above mentioned memorandum was an individual known to the Chicago Crime Commission as [redacted]

The following information was obtained by SA JAMES A. HANLEY during the years 1946 and 1947:

"During the period that Chief Overby was actively attempting to drive out the Trans-American

Company from Joliet, Illinois.

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Arrangements for an interview were made [redacted] appeared at this office on October 19, 1954, at which time he was interviewed by SA [redacted] and the writer and furnished the following information:

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Concerning the information set forth above regarding FRANCIS CURRY, [redacted] "everyone in the Joliet area knows that CURRY is a hoodlum" and he advised that everything in that section of the state is controlled by CURRY, including the unions set forth

[redacted]

Regarding VIRGIL S. FLOYD, who is an officer of Local 179, which is the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers of America, AF of L, Joliet, Illinois, [redacted] not give any information which would indicate any connection between FLOYD and FRANCIS CURRY. He stated that he believed that these two men were acquainted with each other but that was the extent [redacted] information regarding them.

It is to be noted that a True Bill of Indictment was returned against VIRGIL FLOYD by the Federal Grand Jury at Springfield, Illinois, on July 28, 1954, charging FLOYD with a violation of Section 1951, Title 18, United States Code.

The 1953 City Directory for Joliet, Illinois, reflects the names of several persons identified as employees or officers of Local 179 in Joliet. The name of FRANCIS CURRY does not appear in this directory in any capacity but that of VIRGIL S. FLOYD reflects that the latter is Secretary - Treasurer and Business Manager for Local 179 in Joliet, Illinois. It also reflects [redacted] b6 b7C

PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND
OF FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

In the fall of 1946, T-1, of known reliability, advised SA [redacted] that he obtained the following information regarding FRANCIS JEROME CURRY in 1942, to the effect that CURRY was born December 11, 1902, at Joliet, Illinois, and resided at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, with his wife, [redacted] and their two children, [redacted] At the time this information came to T-1's attention, CURRY's house residence was valued at $75,000.00, and had been purchased in the name of CURRY's wife. CURRY also, at that time, maintained a residence address of 736 North East 74th Street, Miami, Florida.

According to T-1, CURRY's education consisted of a grade school education and four years high school. In 1942, CURRY's business affiliation was listed as the Scale and Vending Machine Business, and his earnings were estimated to be $25,000.00 annually. At that time CURRY was also a farm owner and devoted a large amount of his time to grain and dairy farming.

Also in the fall of 1946, the then Chief of Police at Joliet, Illinois, ERNEST E. OVERBEY, now deceased, furnished SA [redacted] with additional information concerning FRANCIS JEROME CURRY as follows:

FRANCIS CURRY in the earlier days had owned and operated several small taverns in Joliet and had previously been involved in the slot machine business in Will County. He allegedly is a prodigy of EDDIE VOGEL, a well known Chicago hoodlum, who, in 1946, was the slot machine king of Will County. According to Chief OVERBY, CURRY had a reputation as a hoodlum and seemingly is a power in Joliet. According to Chief OVERBY, the political setup in Will County, through the Sheriff's Office and other political officials, approved of the activities of CURRY. b6 b7C

Also in the fall of 1946, SA [redacted] was advised by [redacted] the Midwest News Service and Continental Trust Organization, that FRANCIS CURRY is a customer of the Midwest News Service Company on their Telemeter Circuit since 1943, and [redacted] if CURRY could possibly obtain the financial backing necessary to operate a nation wide service company that he, CURRY, would be the type of individual who would be prompted to organize such a company. It is to be noted that the Midwest News Service Company furnished horse racing information.

During the early part of 1954, SA [redacted] obtained the following information from T-2, of known reliability, regarding FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, to

the effect that during the past winter CURRY and his family moved temporarily to Miami, Florida, where CURRY owns and maintains a winter home. According to T-2,

Also, according to T-2, CURRY maintains a headquarters at the location of the Shepley Trucking Company of Joliet, Illinois, which is located on Des Plaines Street just south of Jefferson Street near the river. T-2 advised that close associate and longtime friend of FRANCIS CURRY.

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Also representing the CURRY interest in the according to T-2, is CURRY influence T-2 stated that on February 24, 1954, the Joliet City Police confiscated four slot machines in a raid in the Navy Club, 301 Bluff Street, and this raid has been the only confiscation of slot machines that has taken place in Joliet in the past eight or ten months.

Also during the early part of 1954, SA was advised by T-3, of known reliability, that FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, the Local Syndicate Representative, actually controlls all the pin ball machines, and other gambling devices in the city of Joliet and in the county. According to T-3, the only independent juke box operator in Joliet, Illinois, is

On December 15, 1952, FRANCIS JEROME CURRY was interviewed by SAs inasmuch as CURRY was known to have been closely associated

with one PAUL DE LUCIA who, at that time, along with LOUIS CAMPAGNA and CHARLES GOIE, was under investigation for bribery and parole matters. At the setout of said interview with CURRY, he advised that he did not desire to give any information which might tend to incriminate him and he also refused to give information under oath but would try to orally cooperate in answering questions concerning any business transactions he may have had with PAUL DE LUCIA.

CURRY stated that he has never contributed any money for PAUL DE LUCIA or others but indicated that he probably gave moral support only and that this would do more for PAUL DE LUCIA whom he regarded as a close friend and former associate. CURRY advised that he believed that he had, at one time, met CHARLES GOIE but indicated that he would not recognize this individual if he were to walk into the room during the interview. CURRY further indicated that he is casually acquainted with LOUIS CAMPAGNA and is well acquainted with PAUL DE LUCIA and the entire DE LUCIA family. He stated that he visited DE LUCIA on one occasion while the latter was in the penitentiary at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and stated that this visit occured months prior to DE LUCIA's release from the penitentiary.

When questioned concerning business activities between himself and PAUL DE LUCIA, CURRY advised that his only business transactions with DE LUCIA involved the operation of DE LUCIA's farm located in Will County, Illinois. CURRY stated that while DE LUCIA was in prison, he, CURRY, rented the farm from DE LUCIA and with the rent money he paid off mortgage payments and other incidentals needed for improvements on the farm.

CURRY said that upon DE LUCIA's release from prison, his auditors and an auditor representing DE LUCIA arranged a settlement between DE LUCIA and CURRY regarding money owed CURRY by DE LUCIA in regard to the farm project. CURRY claimed that while DE LUCIA was in prison, he, CURRY, purchased additional equipment for operation of the farm which was charged to DE LUCIA, and this,

according to DE LUCIA's auditor, amounted to approximately $31,000.00. CURRY stated that his own auditors believed PAUL DE LUCIA still owed CURRY approximately $14,000.00 to $17,000.00. According to CURRY, he had not personally discussed this matter with DE LUCIA inasmuch as he had been advised not to contact DE LUCIA while the latter was on parole. However, CURRY stated that after DE LUCIA's parole requirements are fulfilled, he plans to settle this account with DE LUCIA. CURRY did state, however, that he does not care whether DE LUCIA ever pays the balance owed him since DE LUCIA is a trusted friend.

Regarding the identity of other persons who may associate with CAMPAGNA, GOIE, or DE LUCIA, CURRY stated that he is acquainted with TONY ACCARDO, who is also known under the alias JOE BATTERS.

When questioned concerning his present activities, CURRY stated that he is presently operating the Cooperative Music Company in Joliet, Illinois, and indicated that although he is not actively engaged in the operation of this company, he owns it on a partnership basis with several other persons, one of whom is FRANK LA PORTE. b6 b7C b7D

PRESENT ACTIVITIES OF FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

SA [redacted] contacted T-4, of known reliability, on October 13, 1954, for any information in T-4's possession regarding CURRY. It is to be noted [redacted] According to T-4, CURRY maintains a warehouse for his enterprises at the Shepley Garage in Joliet [redacted] CURRY at that location. T-4 stated that CURRY controls all juke boxes, cigarette machines, and slot machines in Will County. CURRY's cigarette business operates under the name of Wilco, and T-4 indicated that CURRY's main operations are out of the state and CURRY

is believed to be the syndicate representative in the cities of Cleveland, Louisville, and Miami.

T-4 advised [redacted] the local Teamsters, Bartenders, and Waitresses Union in Joliet, and is convinced that CURRY holds no control whatsoever in these unions or in any other union in Joliet. T-4 stated that [redacted] area. According to T-4, [redacted] and there has never been any indication that there is any connection between VIRGIL S. FLOYD and FRANCIS CURRY.

As a matter of fact, according to T-4, FLOYD considers himself a large time operator in his own mind and has always had a lucrative position with the union and, therefore, T-4 believes it is very doubtful that FLOYD would be willing to share any of this with anyone else. b6 b7C b7D

In reference to the Bartenders and Waitresses Union in Joliet, T-4 stated that the position of Business Agent for that union was once held by DENNIS KELLY and [redacted] Although DENNIS KELLY apparently had syndicate connections, and was shot to death in Hammond, Indiana, about two years ago, [redacted] to T-4.

In regard to [redacted] T-4 stated that [redacted] very friendly with CURRY. However, T-4 stated that he knows that [redacted] association with CURRY and to the knowledge of T-4, [redacted]

T-5, of known reliability, was interviewed by SA [redacted] on October 13, 1954, and was advised that

approximately one month ago T-5 was of the opinion that CURRY may have possibly had some influence in the local Teamsters Union [redacted] T-5 stated that approximately eight months ago [redacted] T-5 said that CURRY might possibly be exerting some influence in the Teamsters Union [redacted] However, T-5 does not actually feel that [redacted] T-5 stated that he actually has never heard of CURRY ever exerting any influence in any of the unions in Joliet.

T-6, of known reliability, advised SA [redacted] on October 13, 1954, that CURRY is known to him as a farmer in view of the fact that CURRY owns a great deal of farm land in Will County. T-6 advised that [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

T-6 advised that [redacted] to business and union activities in the Joliet area and advised that he has never heard of CURRY being connected with any labor unions. T-6 stated that it is common knowledge in and around Joliet that CURRY controls the juke boxes, slot machines, and cigarette vending machines in Will County.

T-3, of known reliability, was interviewed by SA [redacted] on October 13, 1954, and stated that he never has hadrany information come to his attention to the effect that CURRY is in any way involved with any local labor unions. Insofar as T-3 knows, CURRY's interests are in juke boxes, pin ball machines, cigarette vending machines, and slot machines when the latter are in operation.

On October 18, 1954, T-7, of known reliability, was contacted by SA [redacted] and was advised that

T-7 has [redacted] CURRY was strictly a small time operator. In regard to any influence CURRY might have in labor unions in the Joliet area, T-7 stated that he actually has never heard of any such connections. T-7 did indicate, however, that [redacted] any rumors pointing to possible CURRY influence in the union [redacted] According to T-7, [redacted] CURRY and [redacted]

According to T-7, any lucrative connection between any union and CURRY would almost have to be with VIRGIL S. FLOYD, Business Manager of the local Teamsters Union. In this regard, T-7 stated that FLOYD has held this position for many years and to his knowledge there has never even been a rumor of any connection between FLOYD and CURRY.

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DESCRIPTION OF FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Name	FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	December 11, 1902
Place of Birth	Joliet, Illinois
Residence	516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois
Height	6'
Weight	140 lbs
Build	Slender, slightly stooped
Hair	Brown, thin, bald on top
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Light
Scars and Marks	None
Occupation	Farmer and juke box operator
Marital Status	Married; wife, [redacted] daughter, [redacted] son [redacted]

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Nationality	Irish
Pecularities	Small head; Long face; Squinty eyes; Large protruding ears; Large Adams apple
Dress	Wears sports clothes generally; Seldon wears a hat
Characteristics	Nervous type; Chews gum Takes large and long steps

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Information regarding [redacted] was obtained from the General Crime Survey, Chicago Division, for the period April 15, 1946, to April 15, 1947, Chicago File [redacted]

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THE CHICAGO DIVISION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Will discuss the facts of this case with the United States Attorney regarding his prosecutive opinion and will advise the Bureau of said opinion prior to conducting further investigation.

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UNKNOWN SUBJECTS; Francis Jerome Curry; Alleged Employees in Union Matters, Joliet, Illinois.	ANTI-RACKETEERING

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:

AUSA [redacted] declined prosecution on the grounds that there is no apparent violation within this Bureau's jurisdiction.

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DETAILS:

The facts of this case were discussed with Assistant United States Attorney [redacted] on December 2, 1954, at which time he declined prosecution on the grounds that there is no apparent violation within this Bureau's jurisdiction. [redacted] advised that he believed that the Anti-Racketeering Section of the Internal Revenue Department may possibly have some interest in this matter and that it was [redacted] request that said department be furnished the original information in this case which was furnished to the United States Attorney's Office by the Chicago Crime Commission.

By letter dated December 22, 1954 the Anti-Racketeering Section of the Internal Revenue Department, Chicago, was furnished a copy of a memorandum entitled "FRANCIS CURRY - Labor Racketeering", which was the original information received by the United States Attorney from the Chicago Crime Commission.

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Francis Currie, "Slim", "Thin Man"

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a memorandum regarding characterization of informants.

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This report contains a summary of information located through a search of the Chicago indices.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extent of subject's hoodlum activities.

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is file of [redacted] Illinois.

CG T-2 is [redacted] contacted April, 1961.

CG T-3 is a [redacted]

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Report of: [redacted] Office: Chicago b6 b7C
Date: 5/12/64

Field Office File No.: 92-1519 Bureau File No.:

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject currently resides 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Has long history in criminal activities dated back to Prohibition Era. First arrest was in 1920 for disorderly conduct. In the past he has associated with numerous members of Chicago's syndicate. Primary financial means obtained through parthership in Cooperative Music Company, Wilco Music Company, and now defunct Wire Room News Service.

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DETAILS:

PERSONAL HISTORY AND BACKGROUND

Birth

CG T-1 advised that FRANCIS CURRY was born December 11, 1902, at Joliet, Illinois. He is the son of ROBERT E. CURRY who died May 5, 1941, at the age of 72.

Marital Status

CURRY is married [redacted] and has two children. b6 b7C

Residence

CURRY resides at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Information received from the Miami Beach Police Department indicates that during the winter of 1963, subject resided at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami, Florida.

Background

The subject is the son of ROBERT E. CURRY, a mill worker in various steel mills at Joliet, Illinois. ROBERT CURRY, brother of the subject, was well known in the City of Joliet and throughout the State of Illinois, for his activities in bootlegging of liquor and gambling activities. ROBERT CURRY had a bad reputation and had been arrested on numerous occasions although because of his "connections" in Joliet, and the Will County Sheriff's Office, he did not serve any long term sentences. ROBERT CURRY was killed in an automobile accident in 1944. The following year another brother, HUBERT CURRY, was also killed in an automobile accident near the City of Joliet.

CG T-1 advised that the subject is a high school graduate and that he, in 1942, was listed as an employee of the Scale and Vending Machine Company with earnings of $25,000 annually. He also advised CG T-1 that he was the owner of a farm and devoted a large amount of his time to grain and dairy farming. He stated to CG T-1 that he had never been convicted of any crime.

Inquiry reflects that CURRY owns 3000 acres of farm land in Kendall County, Illinois. The farm is located 18 to 20 miles west of Joliet.

"The Spectator" a newspaper in Joliet, Illinois, had an article dated December 26, 1944, containing an article written by JOHN T. CLYNE. This article lists several prominent businessmen and public officials who had made good in their particular occupation in the Joliet area. The end of the article stated that FRANCIS CURRY also had made an outstanding reputation for himself as a producer of food and other necessities for living. [redacted] was interviewed in 1946 and stated that the subject in the early days had owned and operated several small taverns in Joliet. He has also previously been involved in the slot machine racket in Will County, Illinois. According to [redacted] the subject is alleged to be a prodigy of EDDIE VOGEL, [redacted] described as a notorious Chicago hoodlum. b6 b7C b7D

On September 24, 1946, [redacted] raided the [redacted] Illinois. [redacted] The following day a raid was conducted at [redacted] At that time [redacted] FRANCIS CURRY.

A review of the Joliet newspaper morgue of the Herald News, a Joliet paper, an article was located dated April 1, 1927, which stated that FRANCIS CURRY had been arrested for possession of beer and for warehousing of beer, but no hcarge or fine was imposed against CURRY at that time. Another notation indicated that on July 24, 1920, CURRY had been arrested for disorderly conduct.

[redacted] stated that CURRY had a reputation as a hoodlum and appeared to be a power in Joliet. Most political officials appeared to approve of CURRY's activities. [redacted] is alleged to be defending CURRY when it comes [redacted] to criminal activities in the Joliet area. The Herald News newspaper dated December 15, 1942, contained an article that Mrs. FRANCIS CURRY representing the Catholic Womens League, bought $30,000 worth of war bonds. This article pointed out that she is the daughter of Mr. JOSEPH L. ZALAR, Supreme Secretary of the Capital KSKJ, Slovanian Catholic organization.

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ASSOCIATES

[redacted]

Joliet, Illinois

The subject in 1945 and 1946 was observed in frequent contact with [redacted] Illinois, has also been observed in frequent contact with the above two individuals.

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MEYER LANSKY
Miami, Florida

On August 2, 1946, the subject is known to have made reservations on American Air Lines in Chicago for MEYER LANSKY, [redacted] who were described as well known hoodlums in the Miami, Florida, area.

TONY ACCARDO, aka Joe Batters
Chicago, Illinois

[redacted] in 1946 advised that CURRY has a farm near Joliet, Illinois, and this farm is used by ACCARDO and other members of the crime syndicate as a hideout when the "heat" is on in Chicago.

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[redacted] Illinois

In 1946 the subject is known to have contacted [redacted] in connection with the [redacted] Previous information indicated [redacted] was associated with FRANCIS CURRY in conducting [redacted]

[redacted] Illinois

Investigation indicates [redacted] considered a very good friend of the subject. [redacted]

[redacted] CURRY disseminates race results to his various books in the City of Joliet.

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[redacted] and is in a position to protect FRANCIS CURRY regarding [redacted] hoodlum activities.

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CRIMINAL RECORD

A review of the Bureau of Identification files of the Joliet Police Department, and the Will County Sheriff's

failed to disclose any criminal record for FRANCIS JEROME CURRY. A review of Joliet newspaper morgue reflected the following arrests:

July 24, 1920, disorderly conduct
February 8, 1925, liquor violation
April 1, 1927, possession of beer

No dispositions were recorded in any of the above charges.

ILLEGAL ACTIVITIES

[redacted] advised that shortly before Christmas, 1940, the subject who he described as the head of local racketeers, had moved in on the Common Laborer's Union headed by TONY D'AGOSTINO, and was taking 1/3 of 1/2 of all the money taken in as initiation fees as CURRY's portion of the operation. [redacted] described CURRY as an ex-bootlegger and chief racketeer in the slot machine business in Will County, Illinois, and in 1946 was operating some type of racket in Cincinnati or Cleveland, Ohio, and had a tie-up with the big time gangs in Chicago.

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On January 24, 1935, [redacted] advised that CURRY was the [redacted] of Chicago Heights, Illinois, during the Prohibation days and that CURRY had been associated with underworld characters for many years and had provided hideouts and given aid to many hoodlums and gangsters. [redacted] advised that he had been acquainted with the subject [redacted] In that

time CURRY operated books in Joliet, however, in 1939 all wire room service was discontinued and CURRY discontinued the operation of his books. During the early part of 1943 racing news service was again inaugurated and CURRY opened his bookmaking establishments. CURRY established the Clinton Publishing Company and operated his wire room service from that organization with the assistance of the CAPONE syndicate in Chicago. He also received the services of the Midwest News Service Company.

On October 9, 1946, [redacted] advised that he was [redacted] and that he received his [redacted] FRANCIS CURRY had [redacted] although he admitted that he was [redacted] CURRY because [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

On October 10, 1946, [redacted]

INTERVIEW OF SUBJECT

On September 30, 1947, subject was interviewed and admitted that he had been hiding because he thought the FBI had a "ticket" for him in connection with the Congressional hearing regarding parole matters. He stated that his occupation was farming but denied that he had ever had any business transactions with any hoodlums except possibly PAUL DE LUCIA of Chicago. CURRY admitted that just prior to DE LUCIA's incarceration, he rented his 1,100 acre farm in Kendall County, Illinois, and that each years rent was applied against a mortgage on the farm. The mortgage was held by the Prudential Insurance Company at

Springfield, Illinois. The original mortgage was $100,000.00 and at that time had been reduced to approximately $75,000.00. CURRY stated that the farm was very profitable and that he took $50,000.00 off the farm in 1946. The farm contains over 200 head of cattle and about 900 acres of green crops. CURRY admitted that he wrote a letter to the warden at the Leavenworth Penitentiary requesting the release of PAUL DE LUCIA, but that this was the only effort he took for securing the parole of DE LUCIA. He denied that he had ever paid any money for his release.

In 1961 CG T-2 advised that he had recently [redacted] and that in his opinion [redacted] the J & J Picnic Grove in Will County, Illinois. It is CG T-2's opinion that financial control of the operation was held by GUS ALEX, SAM GIANCANA, FRANK LA PORTE, ROCCO FISCHETTI, and FRANCIS CURRY. Informant stated that this is currently one of the largest gambling operations in the Chicago area.

CG T-2 advised that at one time he was familiar with the operation of the J & J and that the net profit for the house for one evening was $14,500.00 which was the profit over and above the expenses of operating the gambling casino on the night [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

CG T-3 advised that he made inquiry into the [redacted] Illinois. He noted that this company also maintains an operation [redacted] Illinois. The owners of this partnership are listed as FRANK FRANZ, FRANK LA PORTE, LEO PILOTTI, PETER ZARANTE, and SAM GIOVANNI, also FRANCIS CURRY.

On January 12, 1961, the informant advised that this company had cash in banks amounting to $9,000.00, fixtures and equipment of $100,000.00, and the sales are estimated at over $100,000.00 a year.

CG T-4 advised on May 5, 1964, that inquiry by him indicates that FRANCIS CURRY is presently retired and that he lives from moneys previously obtained through the operation of Shepley Brothers Garage in Joliet, Wilco Music and Tobacco Company of Joliet, Cooperative Music Company of Chicago Heights, and a large farm near Joliet. It is this informant's opinion that for services rendered in the past to the crime syndicate, CURRY continues to receive a sizeable amount of money from the above sources.

DESCRIPTION

Name	FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
Sex	Male
Race	White
Date of Birth	December 11, 1902
Place of Birth	Joliet, Illinois
Residence	516 Western Avenue Joliet, Illinois
Height	6'
Weight	140 pounds
Build	Slender; slightly stooped
Hair	Grey; balding on top
Eyes	Blue
Complexion	Light
Scars and Marks	No known
Marital Status	Married; 2 children
Nationality	Irish

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Pecularities	Small head; long face; squinty eyes; large protruding ears; large adams apple
Dress	Wears sports clothes generally
Characteristic Features	Appears nervous; chews gum; takes large and long steps

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FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is [redacted] b6 b7C b7D b7E

Chicago T-2 is an individual who is familiar with criminal activities in [redacted] Illinois.

Chicago T-3 is [redacted] Agency.

Chicago T-4 is an individual who [redacted] the criminal element in [redacted] Illinois.

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Louisville letter to Miami dated 6/11/64.
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CHICAGO

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ADMINISTRATIVE

This report reflects excessive investigative period. It has been maintained in a current status through interoffice communication. It is noted that the reporting agent was actively involved in investigation of a Chicago special entitled, [redacted]

INFORMANTS

Source	Contacting Agent
CG T-1 [redacted]	SA [redacted]
CG T-2 [redacted]	SA
CG T-3 [redacted]	SA
CG T-4 [redacted]	By letter

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject's son, [redacted] was married to [redacted] of Joliet, Illinois, on 6/6/64, at Joliet. Prominent Chicago and South Cook County hoodlums attended the wedding reception. Numerous leaders of the Joliet business community were observed attending both the wedding and the reception. Subject's financial background set forth. Subject observed at Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois on regular basis and has been observed in conference with Chicago top hoodlum FRANK LA PORTE. [redacted] visited with subject in his Miami Beach, Florida residence. Subject uses [redacted] home at 5811 La Gorce Drive, approximately three weeks a year.

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DETAILS:

I. RESIDENCE

By communication dated July 27, 1964, the Miami Division advised that a review of the records of the Recorder of Deeds Office, Dade County Courthouse, Dade County, Florida, by SA [redacted] on July 9, 1964, disclosed that Warranty on File number [redacted] reveals that [redacted] of Dade County, Florida, and [redacted] for the consideration of $10 and other goods and valuable considerations convey and sell to [redacted] the following piece of property located at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida, having the legal description of lot 7, block 8, beach view addition. The deed is recorded in plat book 16 on page 10 of the Public Records of Dade County, Florida. The property was conveyed by [redacted] together with improvements and furniture, furnishings, fixtures and equipment contained therein, subject to a first mortgage on the principal amount of $20,000 and a second mortgage and principal in the amount of $10,000.

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[redacted] advised SA [redacted] July 23, 1964, [redacted] stated that the CURRY family seldom spent much time in Miami.

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With regard to subject's appearance in Miami, source advised that he was last at his residence during the 1964 Easter vacation, at which time he remained

at the house for approximately two weeks. The only visitors while he was in Miami was an elderly couple [redacted]

[redacted]

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[redacted] CURRY's activities and associations in Illinois are unknown, but understood that Mr. CURRY is employed as a farmer in Illinois. [redacted]

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Investigation at Miami, Florida discloses that no telephone service is available at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. [redacted] there is a gardener and housekeeper that attend the house once a week throughout the year. [redacted] that in addition to CURRY's automobile, there was an automobile parker frequently in the driveway of the residence with 1964 Illinois License [redacted] This automobile is registered to [redacted]

II. ASSOCIATES

On June 3, 1964, the subject [redacted] FRANK LA PORTE, who is a top hoodlum of the Chicago Office. [redacted] On the same date, the subject [redacted] CG T-2 advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] CURRY was observed parking his car in the driveway [redacted] In addition, [redacted] observed parked in the same driveway.

On June 6, 1964, subject's son, [redacted] was married at the Cathedral of St. Raymond Nanatus, Joliet, Illinois, to [redacted] Approximately 200 guests attended the affair. Immediately following the wedding a reception was held at D'Ameco's "214" Restaurant at Joliet. Approximately 500 guests were in attendance.

The following known Chicago top hoodlums were observed entering the restaurant and apparently expressing their congratulations to both the subject and his son:

FRANK LA PORTE
PAUL "THE WAITER" RICCA
MURRAY "THE CAMPBELL" HUMPHREYS
FELIX "MILWAUKEE PHIL" ALDERISIO

ANTHONY "BIG TUNA" ACCARDO
LESTER "KILLER KANE" KRUSE

The following south suburban hoodlums who have been described by various sources in the past as members of LA PORTE's "family" were observed at the reception"

FRANK FRANZE
[redacted]
SAM D'GIOVANNI
ALBERT PILOTTO
[redacted]

CG T-2 advised that it is his understanding that CURRY at present is not particularly active in the hoodlum field, but that he has considerable "respect" from the Chicago syndicate because of his operation of the wire room service during the 1940's. Source advised that PAUL "THE WAITER" RICCA previously sponsored him in several of his hoodlum ventures. b6 b7C b7D

Most of the subject's interest in the vending machine and horse booking operations

[redacted]

[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois Police Department, advised that FRANK FRANZE, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, at 1:30 PM reported that a 1963 four door Buick bearing Illinois license FU 9304, the property of Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted, Chicago Heights, was involved in a hit and run accident at 1:00 AM on May 21, 1964. The driver of the car was listed as FRANCIS CURRY, 1728 Halsted Street. FRANZE reported that this car had been parked on the Railroad property on East Hickory Street in Chicago Heights, across the street from the Cooperative Music Company. The side of the car was damaged by a second

automobile, the driver of which was unknown. It is noted that the subject is listed as a partner of the Cooperative Music Company.

On May 22, 1964, subject was observed at Soviva Restaurant in Chicago Heights, in conversation with FRANK LA PORTE and another unknown individual. Spot checks further reflect subject visits the Cooperative Music Company on a regular basis.

On the editorial page of the "Chicago Sun-Times" a daily newspaper, under "Letters to the Editor" in the June 12, 1964 edition, the following letter appeared which reads in part as follows:

"ON WEDDING REPORTING

"I like The Sun-Times very much, but I was very perturbed over the June 7 article 'Gangland Swanks At Joliet Wedding' describing the Francis Currys' son's wedding and reception.

"I don't know Francis Curry or his son [redacted] personally, but I do know his wife and daughter and they are the lovliest people you would want to meet. b6 b7C

"I don't believe too many people were interested in all that dirt; what people like to read about a wedding is what the bride and bridesmaids wore and something about the reception.

"I thought the article was written in very poor taste and certainly at the wrong time, a wedding is no time to rehash all that malarky that is really old, stale news to everyone."

In the same edition, the following editorial was set forth:

"Weddings Make News

"In our letters column on this page today a reader takes us to task for the manner in which our news story described in full detail the wedding in Joliet last Saturday of the son of a crime syndicate leader. Some readers may also take exception to our full coverage of the wedding and reception Wednesday of the son of the gang leader Anthony J. Accardo.

"Persons who react to such news stories because of concern for the feelings of the newlyweds would like newspapers to pretend that the weddings were merely routine family affairs.

"If the fathers of the bridgrooms had wished them to be routine family affairs they could have refrained from inviting the big shots of the underworld to them, and turning the weddings into assemblages of Cosa Nostra gangsters.

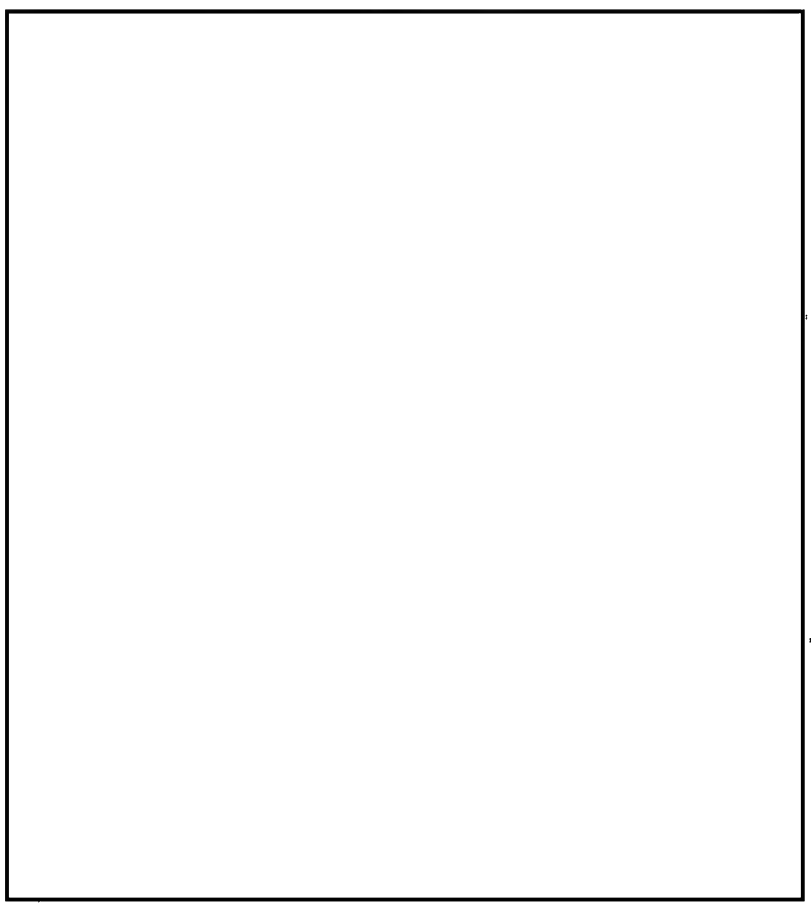
"When such assemblages take place, for whatever reason, federal and state authorities keep tab on the guests. The public is entitled to know what is going on. Responsible newspapers cannot pretend that what is happening in the community is not happening. When the invitations went out to the crime lords of the nation, the fathers of the grooms knew that publicity was sure to follow. And, we suspect, they, if not their children, are not as upset about the stories as our nice Joliet correpondent."

The following automobiles were observed being driven to the main exit of D'Ameco's (214) Restaurant and'

the occupants were observed entering the reception:

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LESLIE KRUSE
5206 Oakton, Skokie, Ill.

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FRANK FRANZE
1730 Cambridge,
Flossmoor, Illinois



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FC 5266
Cooperative Music Co.
1728 Halsted
Chicago Heights, Illinois

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FU 9304
Cooperative Music Co.
1728 Halsted
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III. ASSETS

CG T-4 advised that in 1957, FRANCIS CURRY reported profits of $24,595.58 from the renting of "coin operated machines." The subject advised informant that on this amount he paid $9,380.39 in Federal income tax. He explained that this was his individual income and that his wife and children submitted separate profit and loss information to the Government. Informant stated that subject indicated that a firm by the name of Baneley and Kiener of 130 N. Wells Street, Chicago, Illinois, did most of his bookkeeping. CURRY further advised the informant that the business name of his coin machine rental company is known as the Automatic Coin Machine Company, Two North Des Plaines Street, Joliet, Illinois, and that the total receiptsof the company were $124.866.

In 1958 subject claimed that he made a profit of $15,349.05 and that he paid taxes in the amount of $4,207.67. He claimed that his source of income was the same but that the total receipts of the company in that year amounted to $70,457. In 1959, subject claimed that he made business profits of $15,750.65 and paid taxes in the amount of $3,722.78. The source was from the same comany which did a gross business of $87,788.

In 1960, he maintained the same company and made a profit of $15,336.63 and paid a tax of $4,305.42. He claimed that his gross receipts from the company for that year amounted to $74,745.

In 1961, the only claim of business income was in the amount of $9,560.04 and that a tax of $2,228.61 was paid inasmuch as his total receipts from the Automatic Coin Machine Company had dropped $43,223.05.

In 1962, he maintained that his company made gross receipts in the amount of $26,853.40 and that his profit or income amounted to only $1,968.24 of which he paid a tax of $219.65.

CG T-2 advised that in recent years CURRY's income from gambling has been considerably reduced because of more effective police action.

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CG T-1 is an individual who resides in the area [redacted]

CG T-2 is an individual who is familiar with gambling activities [redacted] of Chicago.

CG T-3 is an individual who has limited knowledge of hoodlum activities in the Chicago area.

CG T-4 is [redacted]

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INFORMANTS

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CG T-2 [redacted]		SA
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Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Subject and wife continued to reside at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Subject's background and control in Joliet, Illinois, set forth. Subject's daughter, [redacted] was married on 10/3/64 to [redacted]

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DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

Subject continues to reside at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. According to [redacted] Joliet, Illinois, Police Department, subject is considering closing his large mansion at this location, the reason being that both his children were recently married and are living away from home. [redacted] stated there is considerable rumor that the subject contemplates moving permanently from Joliet. He is expected to retire to his home at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. Subject's daughter, [redacted] will reside in [redacted]

ASSOCIATES

CG T-1 advised on August 5, 1964, that he has not heard of FRANCIS CURRY being in the Louisville, Kentucky, area for a number of years. During the time he was in Louisville, particularly in 1946-1947, he was reputedly very close to [redacted] b6 b7C b7D Source declared that the other known associates of CURRY in Louisville were "RED" JACOBS (deceased) and BARNEY JACOBS, who currently operates a pinball machine business with an office on East Martin Street, Louisville, Kentucky. CURRY had some contact with the late Lieutenant ELLIS JOSEPH, generally known as GYP JOSEPH, who was connected with the Louisville Police Department and was discharged because of alleged corruption.

Source noted that CURRY while he was in town was reputedly handling Chicago interest in connection with race wire service and had inroad bookmaking in the area. Inasmuch as the bookmakers in Louisville are a rather close net group they will not tolerate individuals from outside the area. [redacted]

[redacted] the Police Department continually harassed CURRY and practically ran him out of Louisville telling him not to return. As a result of this type of treatment, the source advised he knows of no interest that CURRY might have in Louisville at the present time.

CG T-2 advised on July 31, 1964, that to his knowledge, CURRY has not returned to Louisville in the recent past. CURRY had been close to [redacted] in connection with [redacted] but this was several years ago. The only person CURRY would contact at present would probably be BARNEY JACOBS.

CG T-3 advised that CURRY's main help in Louisville was the late Lieutenant JOSEPH of the Louisville Police Department. He contacted JOSEPH when he attempted to "muscle in" on the wire service in Louisville. b6 b7C b7D

This service had originally been set up by the late EARL GAAR, SR. This source advised that he had not received any information indicating that CURRY had returned to the Louisville area.

[redacted] Joliet, Illinois, Police Department advised that he has been on the department for approximately 20 years and that during the early part of his tenure, CURRY was considered one of the biggest men in Joliet. According to rumor and other information, he has developed, [redacted] that CURRY got his start from his relation with [redacted] CURRY's brother, ROBERT, was considered the biggest bootlegger in Will County. FRANCIS CURRY was not heard of until the first of the KELLY brothers was murdered in Joliet. This murder reportedly took place in a fight to control jukeboxes and slot machines, in Will County.

[redacted] advised that it was his understanding that the KELLY brothers originally started the jukebox business in Joliet and were left alone. Subsequently it came to the attention of the Italian criminal element that

KELLY was making money. When they attempted to run him out of business they discovered that he was the head of the bartenders and waitress union in Joliet, Illinois. If one of KELLY's stops was taken away from him he would immediately call the bartenders and waitresses off on strike and the restaurant or tavern would have to put back KELLY's machine in order to stay in business. This fight between the KELLYs and FRANK LA PORTE and FRANCIS CURRY continued until two of the KELLY brothers were murdered. According to rumor, the oldest KELLY brother was killed in Gary, Indiana, and it was done by JIM EMERY's personal body guard.

[redacted] stated that it was his understanding that at this time, FRANK LA PORTE of Chicago Heights, Illinois, was EMERY's body guard.

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As the years progressed, CURRY became more prominent in Joliet political affairs and at one time was considered to completely dominate the city council and mayor. [redacted] As a result of CURRY's political power and the CURRYs were soon accepted in Joliet society and are still considered respectable citizens by the entire community. Recent newspapers notoriety has in some degree lessened their authority in the community but many legitimate business people continued to maintain personal freindships with the CURRYs.

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[redacted] he recently saw CURRY and FRANK LA PORTE [redacted]

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a legitimate cigarette vending machine company for which CURRY supposedly derives legitimate income. [redacted] CURRY very seldom is observed in the Joliet area and most of his time is spent at his home, on Western Avenue. [redacted] it is his opinion that CURRY is not engaging in any illegal activity at the present time and that he lives off the proceeds and investments that he made during the prohibition era and prior to the time that gambling operations were restricted in Will County, Illinois. Apppoximately 18 months ago there appeared to be considerable trouble between the various hoodlum elements in Joliet. [redacted] that rumor indicated that several "young bloods" from Chicago attempted to take over the organized gambling and vice in Will County, Illinois, met with vigorous oposition from CURRY. As a result Little Jack's Restaurant suffered an arson loss of approximately $200. This restaurant was the meeting place for CURRY, LA PORTE and other old time syndicate hoodlums. This fire was reportedly to convince the old timers that the young hoodlums from Chicago meant business and maintained a share of the illegal profits.

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[redacted] several of these unidentified "young bloods" were killed in Chicago and LA PORTE and CURRY remained the leaders of all organized criminal activity in Will County. [redacted]

In view of the recent elections most of the city fathers in Joliet have disassociated themselves with CURRY, and he has lost considerable power in Joliet politics. He [redacted]

On October 5, 1964, the subject was observed at the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois, and appeared to be having a conference with FRANK LA PORTE.

On October 3, 1964, the subject's daughter, [redacted] was married to [redacted] at St. Joseph's Church at Joliet, Illinois. The wedding was attended by approximately 300 guests and the wedding reception was held at D'Amico's where there were approximately 700 guests in attendance. Numerous Chicago, Chicago Heights, and Joliet, Illinois, hoodlums were observed at the reception. The remainder of the guests were described [redacted] as the "cream of society in Joliet". b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] advised that the managing editor of the "Joliet Herald News", the President of the Union National Bank as well as many others were in attendance. He pointed out that [redacted] comes from an extremely prominent family in the Joliet area and that this is possibly the reason so many "respectable people" attended the wedding and reception.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
October 13, 1964

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois
October 13, 1964

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY,
Also Known As
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is an individual who is [redacted]

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CG T-2 is an individual who has some knowledge of bookmaking operations [redacted]

CG T-3 is a [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	1/25/65	10/13/64 - 1/9/65

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY,
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REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY MAB

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 10/13/64 at Chicago.
Chicago letter to Miami dated 11/30/64.
Louisville letter to Chicago dated 11/30/64.

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a letterhead memorandum setting forth characterization of informants.

LEADS

Leads to other field divisions are being set forth under separate communications as they develop.

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CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extent of the subject's hoodlum activities.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The investigative period of this report is excessive. It has been maintained in a current status through interoffice communications.

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INFORMANTS

Source	Date Contacted	Contacting Agent
CG T-1 [redacted]	December 29, 1964	SA [redacted]
CG T-2 [redacted]	November 4, 1964	SA HAROLD T. HOTOPP
CG T-3 [redacted]	November 30, 1964	SA [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago
Date: 1/25/65

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #:

Title:

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character:

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Synopsis:

Subject and wife, [redacted] continue to reside at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Sources advise that subject is [redacted] Subject also [redacted] Subject's former known associates in Louisville, Kentucky, included SAM CAMPO, GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON, [redacted]

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DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

[redacted] Joliet, Illinois Police Department, advised that subject as yet has not closed his home at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. [redacted] stated that the general rumor in Joliet was that in view of the fact that both his children are now married the subject would close his home in Joliet and move to his home at 5801 La Gorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. [redacted] stated on January 16, 1965, that he continues to observe the subject and his wife at their Western Avenue home.

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CG T-3 advised that he has heard that the subject intended to spend the winter season at his Miami Beach, Florida home.

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[redacted] District 5, Illinois State Police, advised that he has learned

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stated that when the restaurant was operating FRANCIS CURRY was often observed in conferences [redacted] investigation indicated that CURRY is possibly [redacted] boss and controls his activities.

By communication dated November 30, 1964, the Louisville Office advised that the following information was obtained regarding CURRY's associates in the Louisville, Kentucky area. The subject has not been known to have frequented the Louisville area in the past several years. b6 b7C b7D

CG T-2 advised that [redacted] the wedding of either of the subject's children and that he has not received any reports concerning these marriages. He advised that to his knowledge no one in the Louisville area contemplated traveling to Chicago in order to attend these weddings.

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SAM CAMPO

On September 17, 1964, [redacted] Credit Bureau, Louisville, Kentucky, advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files reflected as follows:

SAM CAMPO, no wife listed, 2732 West Madison, previously 1124 South Eighth Street, Louisville, Kentucky, has been in file with the credit bureau since 1942. No credit is listed in his file and no employment is listed for CAMPO as of 1942. b6 b7C

On September 22, 1964, [redacted] Clerk, Record Bureau, Louisville Police Department, advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files reflected the following concerning SAM CAMPO:

Name	SAM CAMPO
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	5' 7"
Weight	180 pounds
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Brown
Date of Birth	January 1, 1901
Residences:	1124 South Eighth Street, (March 28, 1942).
	2732 West Madison, (July 8, 1944).

DATE	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
3/28/42	S.V. and Operating Game of Chance	Filed away
11/11/42	Disorderly Conduct Warrant	Filed away

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DATE	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
7/8/44	Liquor violations	Fined $20.00, 7/10/44
	KRS 243.020	Filed away
	244.180	Filed away
	244.190	Filed away
	243.180	Filed away.

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JOSEPH GUZZINI,
Also Known As GUZZINO,
Louisville Police Department
Number 73857

On September 17, 1964, [redacted] Credit Bureau, Louisville, Kentucky, advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files contained no references identifiable to JOSEPH GUZZINI, Also Known As GUZZINO. b6 b7C

On September 22, 1964, [redacted] Clerk, Record Bureau, Louisville Police Department, advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files contained the following concerning JOSEPH GUZZINO:

Name	JOSEPH GUZZINO
Race	White
Sex	Male
Date of Birth	March 17, 1898
Weight	230 pounds
Height	5' 11"
Eyes	Brown
Hair	Gray
Occupation:	Tavern Owner
Louisville Police Department Number:	73857

DATE	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
11/14/46	Churchill Downs - Disorderly Conduct	Amended to Security Warrant, own bond $500.00, 6 mos.
	Loitering	Filed away 11/15/46.

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On September 17, 1964, [redacted] Credit Bureau, [redacted] advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files reflected that [redacted] has been in file [redacted] since [redacted] He is listed as being [redacted]

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On September 22, 1964, [redacted] Clerk, Record Bureau, [redacted] advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files reflected the following concerning [redacted]

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GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

On September 17, 1964, [redacted] Louisville, Kentucky, advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files reflected the following:

GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON [redacted] 4206 Southern Parkway, Louisville, Kentucky, have been in file with the credit bureau since June, 1954. GEORGE is unemployed [redacted] No credit information is available in the HUTCHISON file.

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On September 22, 1964, [redacted] Record Bureau, Louisville Police Department, advised her files reflect the following concerning the name of GEORGE JACK HUTCHISON:

Name	GEORGE "JACK" HUTCHISON
Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	6 feet
Weight	175 pounds
Date of Birth	December 24, 1905
Louisville Police Department Number:	42162
Address	4206 Southern Parkway

DATE	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
8/3/46	Disorderly Conduct	$5.00, 8/21/46
5/26/50	Disorderly Conduct	Amended to Breach of Peace, $2.00, 5/26/50
11/28/50	Loitering	Filed away 12/5/50.

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DATE	CHARGE	DISPOSITION
7/30/55	Federal Charge Fraud by Wire	Turned over to Federal officers
8/3/55	KRS 434.370 wt. Failure to return rented car	No prosecution Filed away 8/10/55.
10/4/55	Vagrancy KRS 437.110 Fug - GL wt.	Turned over to Newport News, Va. authorities. GL $5,000.00 swindle.

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On September 17, 1964, [redacted] Credit Bureau, [redacted] advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files reflected that [redacted]

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On September 22, 1964, [redacted] Clerk, Record Bureau, [redacted] advised Investigative Clerk [redacted] that her files reflected the following concerning [redacted]

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LEGITIMATE ENTERPRISES

CG T-1 advised that he had learned that [redacted]

[redacted]

Informant stated that [redacted] FRANCIS CURRY [redacted] also in the dining room.

CURRY allegedly [redacted]

[redacted] Informant indicated that CURRY and [redacted] CURRY had paid his bill [redacted]

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Informant further advised that he has learned that CURRY or an associate of his was responsible for [redacted]

[redacted] The informant stated that CURRY or one of his associates contacted [redacted]

[redacted] Informant advised that he did not know what type of message CURRY or his associate conveyed [redacted]

On November 15, 1964, [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

CG T-1 further advised that a [redacted] He stated that CURRY [redacted] It was subsequently determined that the M and W Disposal Company of Kankakee, Illinois, had received the city garbage contract for a five year period starting January 1, 1965, and [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois
January 25, 1965

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above. b6 b7C

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Chicago, Illinois
January 25, 1965

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is an individual [redacted]

Chicago T-2 is an individual [redacted]

Chicago T-3 is an individual [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	4/26/65	1/25 - 4/15/65

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY cle

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 1/25/65, at Chicago.

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ENCLOSURES

TO BUREAU

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LEADS

Leads to other field divisions are being set forth under separate communication as they develop.

CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will continue to investigate and report the extent of the subject's hoodlum activities.

APPROVED [redacted] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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ADMINISTRATIVE

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [redacted] contacted on 3/9/65, by SA [redacted]

CG T-2 is CG 6795-C*.

CG T-3 is [redacted] contacted on 2/17/65, by SA [redacted]

CG T-4 is [redacted] contacted in August, 1964, by SA [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: 4/26/65

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 92-1519

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Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Investigation indicated that the subject remained in Joliet, Illinois, during the winter of 1964. He did not travel to his home in Florida. Subject and FRANK LA PORTE [redacted] Subject frequently observed at the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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CG 92-1519

DETAILS:

RESIDENCE

[redacted] advised that FRANCIS CURRY, Joliet, Illinois, was unable to travel to his home in Miami Beach, Florida, during the winter season of 1964. He was not allowed to go because his "boss", FRANK LA PORTE, was spending a lot of time out of the Chicago area. [redacted] CURRY was forced to remain in the area in order to handle some unknown type of business which mutually concerned LA PORTE and CURRY. CURRY was frequently observed at his residence of 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

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CG T-1 advised on March 9, 1965, that [redacted] FRANCIS CURRY and FRANK LA PORTE, [redacted] and CURRY [redacted]

[redacted] Chicago Heights, Illinois Police Department, advised that during the month of February, 1965, FRANCIS CURRY was frequently observed entering the Cooperative Music Company at 1728 Halsted Street. [redacted] that it appeared that during this period of time FRANK LA PORTE was not at the Cooperative Music Company and he had heard from unstated sources that LA PORTE was out of town. On March 4, 1965, [redacted] observed CURRY, TONY FRANZE, [redacted] in FRANZE's 1964 Chrysler Imperial which bears 1965 Illinois license 961 438. [redacted] FRANZE is the brother-in-law of FRANK LA PORTE, [redacted]

CG T-2 advised that [redacted] CURRY and LA PORTE both had an interest. Informant stated that he gained the impression [redacted] that CURRY and LA PORTE were partners in some unknown business venture in the State of California.

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CG T-3 advised that CURRY and [redacted] are supposed to be partners with some unknown New York City hoodlums [redacted]

CG T-4 advised that [redacted] is an [redacted] the Chicago area. [redacted] According to the informant he is an associate of FRANCIS CURRY in Joliet, Illinois.

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[redacted] Illinois, advised on March 7, 1965, that CURRY's [redacted] CURRY [redacted] automobile was no longer observed at CURRY's house.

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[redacted] advised that he had been unable to locate any pertinent information regarding CURRY's current illegal activities and assumes that because of his advanced age and health he has pretty well retired from criminal activity.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
April 26, 1965

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Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned above. b6 b7C

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FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
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T-4 is an individual

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	8/5/65	5/13 - 7/21/65

TITLE OF CASE: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY: [redacted] TYPED BY: gas

CHARACTER OF CASE: AR 3

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] 4/26/65, at Chicago.

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LEADS

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CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. 1. Will continue to investigate and maintain contact with police officers as to the extent of the subject's hoodlum activities.

2. [redacted] telephone number assigned to subject.

3. Will obtain income tax return for past five years through Bureau liaison.

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ADMINISTRATIVE

The San Diego Office by communication dated April 28, 1965, informed that a photograph of FRANCIS CURRY has been exhibited to informants [redacted] with negative results.

The San Diego Office informed that it would appear that any business LA PORTE and CURRY had in San Diego would be through FRANK BOMPENSIERO, [redacted]

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[redacted] BOMPENSIERO and FRANK DESIMONE [redacted]

[redacted]

INFORMANTS

[redacted] was contacted by SA [redacted] on July 19, 1965, with negative results.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago, Illinois b6 b7C
Date: August 5, 1965

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject continues to reside in Joliet, Illinois, at 516 Western Avenue. Subject continues to spend considerable time at Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois. Subject allegedly planning to operate a chauffeuring service at the Joliet Municipal Airport, Joliet, Illinois. Subject's influence in Will County, Illinois, allegedly has declined.

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DETAILS:

Residence

[redacted] on May 28 and July 21, 1965, advised subject is continuing to attempt to sell his residence at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, and plans to go to Florida. However, he has been unable to sell his home. Subject [redacted] continue to reside in the residence at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

[redacted] CURRY has been frequently observed at his residence at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

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[redacted] Criminal Investigative Division of the Illinois State Police, Joliet, Illinois, on May 13, 1965, and June 11, 1965, advised that [redacted] with CURRY. He advised that it appears that CURRY has not been as active and has not had as much influence in the political activity in the area of Joliet, Illinois, and Will County, Illinois, as during the 1940's and 1950's. He advised it appears that the subject does not appear to have as strong an influence and does not have as much activity in the hoodlum picture as previously. He advised subject during the 1940's and 1950's made considerable money in the slot machine and bookmaking activity which he apparently invested in stocks, bonds, and real estate. He advised subject apparently now is reaping the proceeds from these investments as well as being associated in the Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois, as well as some other business adventures.

[redacted] he will attempt to gain more information relative to CURRY and his associates and his activities.

[redacted] Joliet, Illinois, on June 17 and July 21, 1965, advised that [redacted]

[redacted] Investigative Division, Illinois State Police, Joliet, Illinois, advised on May 23, 1965, that he had learned that [redacted]

[redacted] Police Department, on June 9, 1965, advised he had learned that subject was considering operating a chauffering service at the Joliet Municipal Airport, Joliet, Illinois. He advised this was in the formative stage and no definite arrangements were known.

The following police officers on the dates indicated were contacted relative to the subject but could offer no pertinent information which has not been previously reported. They advised they would remain alert for any pertinent information relative to subject, his associates, and his activities.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI (92-1369) DATE: 8/13/65

FROM : SAC, CHICAGO (92-1519)

SUBJECT: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka
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OO: CHICAGO

Re report of SA [redacted] dated 8/5/65, at Chicago. b6 b7C

The Bureau is requested, through Bureau liaison, to obtain income tax returns for FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, for the past five years and forward the results as well as photostat copies of CURRY's tax returns to the Chicago Office.

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Copies of Federal income tax returns were requested on 8-17-65 and will be forwarded to you upon receipt from IRS.

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SAC, Chicago (92-1519) 8/30/65

Director, FBI (92-1369)

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to your letter dated 8/5/65.

For your information a request for copies of the Federal income tax returns filed by the captioned individual has been cancelled.

The Bureau is discontinuing the practice of requesting Federal tax information from the Internal Revenue Service. It no longer will be necessary that such information be available in your criminal intelligence or organized crime investigations, and no effort should be made to obtain such information at headquarters or field level.

General instructions in this regard in the form of appropriate manual changes are being prepared.

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Report Form
FD-263 (5-12-55)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Reporting Office	Office of Origin	Date	Investigative Period
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	12/16/65	8/5 - 12/13/65

TITLE OF CASE	Report made by	Typed By:
FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka		rr

CHARACTER OF CASE

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Synopsis:

REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] at Chicago, dated 8/5/65.

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LEADS

Leads to other Field Divisions are being set forth by separate communications as they develop.

CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. 1. Will recontact Illinois Bell Telephone Company for additional review of toll calls previous to the one set out in this report.

2. Will maintain contact with logical sources for additional information relative to subject.

Pending Over One Year - Yes
Pending Prosecution Over Six Months - No

Approved	Special Agent In Charge	Do not write in spaces below
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3. Will attempt to [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

his family.

ADMINISTRATIVE

The Bureau, by communication dated August 30, 1965, advised as follows:

A request for copies of the Federal income tax returns filed by the captioned individual has been cancelled.

The Bureau is discontinuing the practice of requesting Federal tax information from the Internal Revenue Service. It no longer will be necessary that such information be available in your criminal intelligence or organized crime investigations, and no effort should be made to obtain such information at headquarters or field level.

Spotchecks were made of subject's residence, the Wilo Music Company on the following dates without effecting any pertinent information relative to subject: August 9, 1965, October 11, 1965, October 20, 1965, October 29, 1965, November 4, 1965, and December 14, 1965.

The period of this report is somewhat extended but this case has been kept in a current status.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: 12/16/65

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 92-1519

Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: CURRY continues to reside at 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois and to spend time at Cooperative Music Company in Chicago Heights, Illinois. Contacts with police officers in the area of Joliet, Illinois offer no additonal pertinent information relative to subject. Investigation indicates CURRY associates with [redacted] Check of Auto Registrations, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, indicated no vehicles registered or titled to CURRY at an address of 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. Check of Driver's License, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, indicated Driver's License C600-2500-2352, issued 3/1/63 to CURRY and expire 12/11/66. [redacted] Telephone record checks set forth.

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DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by IC [redacted]

[redacted] Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on September 8, 1965, that a check of records for 1964 and 1965 failed to reflect any vehicles registered or titled to a FRANCIS JEROME CURRY with an address of 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois.

[redacted] Driver's License Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on September 8, 1965 that driver's license number C600-2500-2352 was issued March 1, 1963 to FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois. This license expires December 11, 1966 and describes him as:

Height	6'	b6
Weight	165 pounds	b7C
Date of birth	December 11, 1902	b7D
Hair	Brown	
Eyes	Blue	

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

[redacted] advised as follows on October 8, 1965:

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October 13, 1965, advised SA that he had determined that FRANCIS CURRY of Joliet, Illinois, CURRY had and wanted to return does not personally know CURRY.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/10/65

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[redacted] made available records which indicated the following calls listed to [redacted]

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The above records are confidential and information therefrom can only be made public following the issuance of a subpoena duces tecum which should be directed to [redacted]

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On 11/4/65 at Joliet, Illinois File# CG 92-1519

by SA [redacted] jmk Date dictated 11/9/65

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Date 11/10/65

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On 11/4/65 at Joliet, Illinois File # CG 92-1519

by SA [redacted] jmk Date dictated 11/9/65

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[redacted]

[redacted] is well aware of the reputation of the subject in the community and knows that he is connected with the Cooperative Music Company in Joliet, Illinois, where he spends considerable time. [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

[redacted] both of the subject's son and daughter had large, exclusive wedding at DeMico's, 214 Restaurant, located in the downtown area of Joliet, Illinois. [redacted] at both of these weddings many of the wealthy and well-known society and cultural personalities and notables

in the area of Joliet attended both weddings.

[redacted] that based on information [redacted] heard, the subject has not been active in illegal activities and affairs over the past several years as he formerly had been during the 1930's, 1940's, and early 1950's. [redacted] advised that it is fairly well believed that the subject during these pertinent years made considerable money in illegal activities and during those years invested his money in real estate stocks and bonds and during the past several years has been reaping the benefits from these investments. The following police officers and individuals were contacted but were unable to inform of any pertinent information, which has not been previously reported relative to subject:

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	3/17/66	11/29/65 - 3/4/66

TITLE OF CASE

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FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY cnv

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] at Chicago dated 12/16/65.
Springfield letter to Chicago 12/22/65 (IO).
Miami letter to Chicago 1/24/66 (IO).
Cleveland letter to Chicago 2/23/66 (IO).

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ENCLOSURES: TO BUREAU:
Two (2) Copies of Letterhead Memo on Characterization of Informants

LEADS

Leads to other field divisions are being set forth by separate communications as they develop.

CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. 1. Will maintain contact with logical sources and appropriate police officials for any additional information relative to subject.

Pending Over One Year Yes COVER PAGE
Pending Prosecution Over Six Months No

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2. Will conduct credit and arrest check and appropriate investigation relative to [redacted]

3. Will maintain contact with [redacted]

ADMINISTRATIVE

On January 12, 1966, Investigative Clerk [redacted] contacted [redacted] at Chicago, Illinois, for additional review [redacted] previous to August of 1965 and these records were unavailable.

Spot checks were made in the area of the subject's residence and the Wilco Music Company in Joliet, Illinois, on the following dates without effecting any pertinent information relative to the subject:

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January 5, 1966;
February 3, 1966;
March 4, 1966.

[redacted] (protect identity) was contacted by SA [redacted] on January 18, 1966, [redacted] advised that the CURRYs have not been to their residence at Miami Beach, Florida, since March, 1965. [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

The period in this report is somewhat extended due to the inclusion of investigation from an auxiliary office which investigation was not available at the time of the submission of the last report.

INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is [redacted] contacted by unknown Agent.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago
Date: 3/17/66

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Investigation indicates subject sold his interest in Wilco Music and Tobacco Company to CHARLES ENGLISH of Chicago, Illinois.

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DETAILS:

DATE : November 29, 1965
PLACE: MIAMI, FLORIDA
NAME : SA [redacted]

On November 29, 1965, SA [redacted] observed a [redacted] parked in the CURRY residence at 5801 LaGorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida. It was determined that this automobile was registered to [redacted] It is to be noted that [redacted]

A check of the Miami, Florida, criss-cross telephone directory disclosed that Miami telephone number [redacted] is listed to [redacted] As stated above, [redacted] the CURRY residence at 5801 LaGorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida.

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DATE : December 15, 21, 1965
PLACE: [redacted]
NAME : IC [redacted]

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[redacted]

DATE : February 21, 1966
PLACE: [redacted]
NAME :

A check of the 1965 [redacted] Directory reflects number [redacted] is listed to the occupants of the property at [redacted] in [redacted]

The city directory lists the following occupants at this address:

[redacted]

Cleveland indices negative.

On February 21, 1966, [redacted] Credit Bureau, advised she had no credit record identifiable with [redacted] The records reflect [redacted] and has a solid credit rating.

The following advised they had no arrest data for anyone named [redacted] residing on [redacted] in [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

[redacted]

On February 21, 1966, Chicago T-1 advised that he had no information to indicate [redacted] has any affiliation or implication with the racket element.

DATE : January 12, 1966
PLACE: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS
NAME : SA [redacted]

On January 12, 1966, it was determined, through a public service information operator of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, by SA CHARLES L. BROWN, JR., that telephone number [redacted] is listed to [redacted] Chicago.

[redacted] Joliet Police Department, on January 17, 1966, [redacted] Illinois State Police, Joliet, Illinois, on January 25, 1966

and [redacted] Police Department, Joliet, Illinois, on February 3, 1966, advised that they had learned that FRANCIS CURRY has sold his interest in the Wilco Music and Tobacco Company of Joliet, Illinois, to CHARLES ENGLISH, known hoodlum in the Chicago area. They advised that they have not known of any information which indicates that CURRY has been active in any other business or that at the present time ENGLISH is moving into any other type of operation in the area of Joliet or Will County, Illinois. They further advised that they will attempt to determine any additional pertinent information relative to the above information which came to their attention relative to the sale of the Wilco Music and Tobacco Company. b6 b7C b7D

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[redacted] learned that the subject has sold his interest in the Wilco Music and Tobacco Company of Joliet, Illinois. [redacted] he sold his interest to CHARLES ENGLISH, a known hoodlum in the Chicago area. [redacted] has not seen the subject for some time and presumes that he has possibly taken a short trip to Miami, Florida.

The following police officers, upon contact, were unable to inform of any additional pertinent information which has not been previously reported relative to the subject:

[redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
Chicago, Illinois
March 17, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above. b6 b7C

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Chicago, Illinois
March 17, 1966

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to the report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is an individual [redacted] of the [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	6/28/66	3/3/66 - 6/22/66

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY,
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REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: cms

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 3/17/66 at Chicago.
Miami letter to Chicago, 4/26/66.
Chicago teletype to Bureau, 5/19/66.

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ENCLOSURE

TO THE BUREAU

Two copies of a letterhead memorandum characterizing informants.

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CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will maintain contact with logical source and appropriate police officials for any additional information relative to the subject.

Pending Over One Year. Yes.
Pending Prosecution Over Six Months. No

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AGENCY	1 - CC, AAG, Criminal Division,			
REQUEST RECD.	Organized Crime and Racketeering			
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ADMINISTRATIVE

The period of this report preceeds the date of referenced report since information from Miami was not available.

[redacted] (protect identity), [redacted] advised SA [redacted] on March 3, 1966, that no one has visited at the CURRY residence [redacted]

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[redacted] advised SA [redacted] on May 19, 1966, of the following:

[redacted]

represents interests of FRANCIS CURRY, hoodlum controlling Joliet, Illinois, area. Recent information was received that English is buying out CURRY's vending machine business in Joliet area and along with DOMINIC "BUTCH" BLASI, former chauffeur to SAM GIANCANA, have increased their activities in the south suburban area, particularly around Joliet. Specifically, BLASI and ENGLISH reportedly purchased an interest in a golf driving range in a shopping center near Joliet about a year ago.

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Chicago T-1 is [redacted] to SA [redacted]

Chicago T-2 is [redacted] to SA [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago
Date: 6/28/66

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject allegedly instrumental in sale of Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois, [redacted] Subject at one time was interested in purchasing the Valley Music Company [redacted]

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DETAILS:

On April 22, 1966, [redacted] telephonically contacted the Chicago Division to advise that [redacted] resident [redacted] Illinois, is presently [redacted] accompanied by several other persons who are alleged to have hoodlum connections. It is rumored, [redacted] to persons having hoodlum reputations.

[redacted] recontacted the Chicago Division on April 22, 1966, to advise that he recently heard that [redacted] might be selling [redacted] to FRANCIS CURRY. b6 b7C b7D

On May 3, 1966, Chicago T-1 advised that [redacted] FRANCIS CURRY; further, that it is rumored that CURRY [redacted] CHUCK ENGLISH, [redacted] Illinois.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Joliet, Illinois:

[redacted] on April 11 and May 9, 1966, advised [redacted] was unable to determine any additional pertinent information relative to the subject, and was of the opinion [redacted] would not be able in the future to obtain any type of pertinent information relative to the subject. The following persons on the dates indicated were contacted without developing any additional pertinent information relative to the subject other than previously reported:

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[redacted] Police Department, Joliet, Illinois, on March 30, 1966, advised the files of that office indicated no arrest record for [redacted]

On May 26, 1966, Chicago T-2 advised that [redacted] FRANCIS CURRY as CURRY is considered out of the picture now, [redacted] advised that a [redacted]

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On June 13, 1966, [redacted] Joliet, Illinois, Police Department, advised that he had heard that the subject was interested in purchasing the Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois, [redacted] CHUCK ENGLISH owns Wilco Tobacco and Music Company, Joliet, Illinois.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
June 28, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1519

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No. 92-1519

Chicago, Illinois
June 28, 1966

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
ANTI RACKETEERING

Reference report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is an individual [redacted]

Chicago T-2 is an individual [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	10/6/66	7/5 - 10/5/66

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY sp

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 6/28/66 at Chicago.

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ENCLOSURE

TO BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a Characterization of Informants Memorandum.

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CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. 1. Will identify [redacted] and attempt to establish his relationship with the subject.

2. Will locate and interview [redacted] regarding [redacted]

Case has been: Pending over one year ☐ Yes ☒ No; Pending prosecution over six months ☐ Yes ☒ No

APPROVED [redacted] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Agency	1	CC AAG, Criminal Division,	
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By	Section, Room 2[illegible]		

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3. Will maintain contact with local law enforcement agencies for information on the subject.

ADMINISTRATIVE

CG 6795-C* advised the subject and FRANK LA PORTE owned 33 1/3 percent of a shopping center in Joliet, Illinois. The stock for this shopping center is allegedly held in trust by the Chicago Title and Trust Company of Chicago and the Government, possibly IRS, has attempted to place a lien on this property.

The informant further advised that it appeared that CURRY and FRANK LA PORTE intended to build an apartment or some buildings on land LA PORTE had. The financing of this project would come from a "downtown bank". The informant noted that LA PORTE stated that they presently had 60 percent of the money.

The informant said that the subject owns a part of Illinois Redi-Mix Corporation, 720 Collins, Joliet, Illinois,

[redacted]

[redacted] Joliet, Illinois, Police Department, advised on July 29, 1966, that within the past [redacted] he was [redacted] at the department, he answered the telephone and was almost positive that the caller was the subject. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] subject asked for and talked with [redacted] said he was unable to learn the nature of this conversation. [redacted] the years, the subject has frequently called [redacted] and other policemen at the station.

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CG T-1 is [redacted] to SA [redacted]

CG T-2 is [redacted] to SA [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago
Date: 10/6/66

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject allegedly owner of Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois, [redacted] Subpoena issued for subject by Illinois Crime Commission for his appearance before the Commission in the latter part of October, 1966. Subject reportedly wants out of the rackets because of embarrassing publicity to family.

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DETAILS:

On July 5, 1966, [redacted] Illinois State Police (ISP), Crime Section, District Number 5, Joliet, Illinois, advised that he had learned [redacted] the subject of the Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois. He said that [redacted]

On August 1, 1956, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Will County, Joliet, Illinois, advised that based on information furnished, she was unable to identify [redacted] in the credit files.

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On September 21, 1966, CG T-1 advised that he had recently learned that the subject wants out of the rackets because the publicity he is getting in the newspapers is embarrassing to his wife and son, [redacted]

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CG T-2 advised on September 5, 1966, [redacted]

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On September 8, 1966, [redacted] Crime Section, ISP, Joliet, Illinois, advised that the Illinois Crime Commission (ICC) has issued a subpoena for the subject to appear before the ICC on September 14, 1966, to testify on juke box - vending business in Will County and Aurora, Illinois, areas.

[redacted] said he has a subpoena to serve on the subject.

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Periodic contact was maintained with [redacted] until September 14, 1966, and he advised that he has been unable to locate the subject and believes he is in hiding as a result of a news release which disclosed that certain hoodlums were to be called before the ICC.

On October 5, 1966, [redacted] advised that he has another subpoena for the subject to appear before the ICC. He said this subpoena must be served by October 29, 1966.

Efforts to locate the subject in vicinity of his residence and Wilco Tobacco Company, 1323 North Raynor on September 13 and October 3, were unsuccessful.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

October 6, 1966

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1519

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above. b6 b7C

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In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Chicago, Illinois
October 6, 1966

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is an individual [redacted]

Chicago T-2 is an individual [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	3/14/67	10/20 - 3/10/67

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: mk

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 10/26/66, at Chicago.

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LEADS

BOSTON

AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. Will review medical records at the Lahey Clinic to determine if subject was a patient at the clinic. Will, if verified fully, determine the nature of subject's treatment and if possible determine his medical history and state of health.

Case has been: Pending over one year [X] Yes [ ] No; Pending prosecution over six months [ ] Yes [X] No

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Dissemination Record of Attached Report

Agency	
Request Recd.	1 CC. AAG, Criminal Division,
Date Fwd.	Organized Crime and Racketeering
How Fwd.	61 MAR 21 1967
By	Section, Room 2324

Notations: NENE STAT SECT.

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Will attempt to determine if subject accompanied by any immediate relative or friend and where they stayed during subject's hospitalization. Will, if feasible, determine any telephone calls made or received by subject.

Will, if feasible, determine airlines used by subject.

Subject Born December 11, 1902, Joliet, Illinois, and resides 516 Western Avenue, Joliet.

MIAMI

AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. Will contact [redacted] for current information on subject and his family. Will determine if [redacted] is known to [redacted] location and activity in that area.

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CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will continue efforts to locate and interview [redacted] regarding [redacted] and his association with the subject.

Will consider interviewing [redacted] regarding his association with subject [redacted]

[redacted] ILLINOIS. Will review [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago
Date: 3/14/67

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Background regarding [redacted] set out. [redacted] Automobile registered to [redacted] observed in driveway of subject's residence. [redacted] Registrations on automobiles observed in vicinity of subject's residence set forth. Efforts to locate [redacted] unsuccessful. Subject allegedly underwent rectal surgery at Lahey Clinic, Boston, Mass., and was also confined to Joliet hospital for two weeks.

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DETAILS:

On October 20, 1966, the following license was observed on a car parked along side of subject's residence: registered to

On October 28, 1966, Credit Bureau Illinois, advised that residing

said the file contained no additional information

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said the file contained no additional information

said that an inquiry had been received from

On November 3, 1966, a 1963 Ford bearing 1966 Illinois license was observed parked in the driveway of subject's residence.

On November 3, 1966, Illinois State Police, Joliet, Illinois, advised that 1966 Illinois license was issued to

It is to be

On November 7, 1966, Joliet, Illinois, Police Department, was observed with

On November 7, 1966, automobile bearing the following licenses numbers were observed at the subject's residence:

CP 9183-registered to Cooperative Music Company, Joliet, Illinois

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The Illinois City Directory list

These same units were also observed in the same location on November 14, 1966.

On December 27, 1966, Joliet, Illinois, advised that has been known to be a

On December 28, 1966, Joliet, Illinois, Police Department, advised that

he believes that

On January 12, 1967, a review of the records of the Will County Clerk's Office, Joliet, Illinois, disclosed under [redacted]

On January 24, 1967, [redacted]

On January 27, 1967, and March 10, 1967, efforts to contact [redacted] were unsuccessful.

On February 6, and 21, 1967, [redacted] advised that the subject had undergone rectal surgery at the Lahey Clinic in Boston, Massachusetts, sometime in November or December, 1966. He stated that in mid-December, 1966, the subject was in intensive car for a two week period at St. Joseph's Hospital, Joliet, Illinois, for an alleged heart attack. b6 b7C b7D

[redacted] the subject actually did not suffer a heart attack but had the symptoms of one which sometimes happens to patients having the type of surgery experienced by the subject.

[redacted]

On March 3, 1967, [redacted] the subject's physician is Dr. RAYMOND J. KENNEDY, prominent local surgeon, and life-long friend of the CURRYs.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	7/25/67	2/17/67 - 7/17/67

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY ljs

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 3/14/67, Springfield letter to Chicago dated 3/13/67, Miami letter to Chicago dated 5/24/67, Boston airtel to Chicago dated 5/26/67, St. Louis letter to Chicago dated 6/7/67, and Boston letter to Chicago dated 7/13/67.

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ENCLOSURE

TO THE BUREAU

Two (2) copies of a characterization of informants memorandum.

LEADS

BOSTON

AT BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS. 1. Will review records

Case has been: Pending over one year [X] Yes [ ] No; Pending prosecution over six months [ ] Yes [X] No

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Agency	1 cc. AAG, Criminal Division,		
Request Recd.			
Date Fwd.	Organized Crime and Racketeering		
How Fwd.			
By	Section, Room 2529		

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2. If verified, will review toll calls made by [redacted]

SPRINGFIELD

[redacted] ILLINOIS. Will determine listing on telephone 856-2770 and if listed to [redacted] daughter, do current credit check.

CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. 1. Will follow and report on subject's activities. b6 b7C b7D

2. Will continue to develop background information [redacted]

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. 1. Will review records at [redacted]

2. Will obtain telephone listings on the following numbers:

[redacted]

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The investigative period of instant report precedes the date of referenced report inasmuch as the information was not available for referenced report.

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On March 30, 1967, [redacted] advised that the subject currently has the following telephones listed to him: 722-2737 and 722-5141. During December 21, 1966, through February 8, 1967, the following toll calls were made from 722-2737:

[redacted]

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 is [redacted] to SA [redacted]

CG T-2 is [redacted] to SA [redacted]

CG T-3 is [redacted] to SA [redacted]

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CG T-4, T-5 is [redacted]

CG T-6 is [redacted]

CG T-7 is PCI [redacted] to SA [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago
Date: 7/25/67

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: [redacted] Background information on [redacted] set out. Subject lunched with FRANK LA PORTE in Chicago, Illinois, on 4/13/67. Subject hospitalized from 9/29/64 to 11/2/64, Boston, Massachusetts, [redacted] Diagnosis for subject at discharge was latent syphillis, hypertension grade one, gout, hypertensive heart disease with left ventricular strain, hypochromic anemia, grade one with hypoferremia. [redacted] Background information [redacted] set out.

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DETAILS:

CG T-1 advised on February 17, 1967, that [redacted] The informant said that [redacted]

On March 1, 1967, [redacted] Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised as follows:

A check of 1967 Soundex records failed to reflect any license being issued to date to a [redacted]

A check of 1966 Soundex records reflects a [redacted] license [redacted] was issued [redacted] driver's license number [redacted] Vehicle Identification Number [redacted]

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[redacted] Driver's License Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised as follows on March 1 and 9, 1967:

Driver's license number [redacted] was issued [redacted]

It is to be noted that the [redacted] City Directory discloses that [redacted] is listed as [redacted]

CG T-2 advised on April 17, 1967, that the subject had lunch with FRANK LA PORTE, reputedly in control of organized crime in southeast Cook and Will Counties,

On March 15, 1967, bearing 1967 Illinois license BF 1001 was observed to be parked in close vicinity of Wilco Tobacco, Division of Universal Vending Corporation, 1323 North Raynor, Joliet, Illinois.

The current Illinois license registration books disclose 1967 Illinois license to be registered to

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Vehicle Identification Number

On March 16, 1967,

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that

according to credit records,

On May 10, 1967, CG T-3 advised that

CG T-3 further stated that it was alleged the subject was very sick and had an operation sometime before Christmas. It was further alleged that prior to the operation the subject was not expected to live.

CG T-3 advised that he was [redacted]

In May, 1967, CG T-4 advised that the subject, born December 11, 1902, occupation retired farmer, was admitted to the New England Baptist Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, on September 29, 1966, [redacted]

CG T-4 stated that [redacted] The diagnosis of the subject's case was carcinoma of the prostrate, latent syphillis, hypertension grade one, gout, and hypochomic anemia.

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CG T-4 said the subject was discharged from the hospital on November 2, 1966, [redacted]

[redacted]

CG T-5 advised on May 26, 1967, that the subject is insured by North American Life and Casualty, policy number 3827, group insurance policy holder Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

On June 22, 1967, [redacted] bearing 1967 [redacted] license [redacted] was observed parked in the driveway of the subject's residence.

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CG T-6 advised on July 7, 1967, that while the subject was hospitalized in Boston, Massachusetts, he desired that the following persons be notified regarding his illness:

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[redacted] on the basis of information provided.

CG T-7 advised on July 17, 1967, that [redacted]

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The informant advised [redacted] allegedly has

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
July 25, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1519

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above. b6 b7C

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
July 25, 1967

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1519

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY,
ALSO KNOWN AS
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above.

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CHARACTERIZATION OF INFORMANTS

Chicago T-1 is an individual [redacted]

Chicago T-2, T-4, T-5, and T-6 are individuals [redacted]

Chicago T-3 and T-7 are individuals [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	1/18/68	8/22/67 - 1/5/68

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: kab

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 7/25/67 at Chicago.
Springfield letter to Chicago dated 8/23/67.
Boston letter to Chicago dated 9/26/67.
Chicago letter to Springfield dated 11/29/67.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED NONE						ACQUITTALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☒ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

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Agency	CC, AAG, Criminal Division,
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Date Fwd.	Organized Crime and Racketeering
How Fwd.	Section, Room 2524
By	

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LEADS

SPRINGFIELD

[redacted] ILLINOIS. Information copy furnished in view of outstanding leads in that area.

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[redacted] FLORIDA. Will review [redacted] in an effort to locate any [redacted] CARNEY nee CURRY.

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AT RIVER FOREST, ILLINOIS. Will review records at Vignola Furniture Company, 7617 West North Avenue, to determine if subject [redacted] has account at store and, if so, attempt to determine banking and credit references.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will obtain the identities [redacted] Chicago, Illinois.

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will follow and report activities of the subject.

Referral/Consult

ADMINISTRATIVE

On August 22, 1967, [redacted]

On September 25, 1967, [redacted]

[redacted] He stated that on a highly confidential basis [redacted]

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Source	Contacting Agent
CG T-1 is [redacted]	SA [redacted]
CG T-2 is PCI [redacted]	SA [redacted]
CG T-3 is [redacted]	

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
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Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago
Date: January 18, 1968

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Review of records at Will County Recorder's Office, Joliet, Illinois, disclosed [redacted] Information on [redacted] set out. Confidential sources allege subject possibly has invested in real estate [redacted]

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DETAILS:

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Joliet, Illinois:

On September 22, 1967, an unidentified long-distance information operator, [redacted], advised that prefix [redacted] is currently a working prefix for [redacted]

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On September 22, 1967, [redacted] Will County Clerk's Office, Joliet, Illinois, made available [redacted] a review of which reflected the following information:

[redacted]

On October 2, 1967, [redacted] Will County Recorder's Office, Joliet, Illinois, advised that her files contained the following information:

[redacted]

[redacted]

On October 3, 1967, a visual check was made of the residence of FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, located at 516 Western, Joliet, Illinois, with negative results.

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On October 3, 1967, a [redacted] bearing Illinois 1967 license [redacted] was observed parked in the front of the Wilco Tobacco Company, Division of Universal Vending Corporation, 1323 North Rainer, Joliet, Illinois. On the same date, a [redacted] was observed parked at the rear of the Wilco Tobacco Company, Division of Universal Vending Corporation, 1323 North Rainer, Joliet, Illinois, bearing Illinois 1967 license [redacted]

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The current State of Illinois License Registration Books disclosed that 1987 Illinois license [redacted] was issued to [redacted] on a [redacted] VIN [redacted]

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The current Illinois License Registration Books disclosed that 1987 Illinois license number [redacted] was issued to [redacted] for a [redacted] VIN [redacted]

CG T-1 advised on September 26, 1967, that [redacted] Informant stated that word is that as soon as [redacted] Informant also advised that [redacted] in Joliet, Illinois, but that [redacted] The informant interpreted the [redacted] as an indication of [redacted]

On September 21, 1967, [redacted] Fenway Commonwealth Motor Inn, Kenmore Square, Boston, Massachusetts, advised he could locate no record for [redacted] He explained the records are filed alphabetically under the month the guest signs out.

He said the records reflect [redacted] He stated he could locate no other record for [redacted] and could not locate the bill for [redacted] therefore, he could not advise of any telephone calls that were made.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] Illinois:

The August, 1967, [redacted] telephone directory lists [redacted] with residence address of [redacted] telephone number [redacted] office [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

The directory also lists [redacted] telephone number [redacted]

On October 10, 1967, [redacted] Credit Bureau, [redacted] furnished the following information:

No derogatory information in the file.

The file reflects that No address is shown.

advised that she does not have a file on and has no knowledge of any derogatory credit information.

On November 17, 1967, Credit Bureau of Will County, Incorporated, Joliet, Illinois, advised that have been known to the credit bureau since He claims employment with

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The file further desclosed that

that the file contained no additional information on

On November 28, 1967, CG T-2 advised that he had recently learned of the possibility of the subject having invested capital in a medical building Informant said that

The informant said that [redacted]

The informant said that [redacted] It is the informant's observation that the [redacted]

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The informant stated that he has also heard that the subject is investing in a housing developemtn [redacted]

On November 28, 1967, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Will County, Incorporated, Joliet, Illinois, a[redacted] advised that [redacted] She stated that [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted]

[redacted] Credit Bureau, advised on November 16, 1967, that [redacted]

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[redacted] that the only information in the files concerning [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] Police Department, advised on November 16, 1967, that no information exists in his files concerning [redacted]

[redacted] Police Department, advised on November 16, 1967, that to the best of his recollection, [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] and rumors have it that [redacted] also is [redacted] which is also in the business of hauling ready-mix [redacted]

[redacted] stated that it is his understanding [redacted] presently residing in [redacted] location unknown.

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Efforts to locate subject on November 14, 1967, were unsuccessful.

CG T-3 advised on January 2, 1968, that he had learned that on [redacted] a telephone call was made from the subject's residence to Chicago, Illinois, [redacted]

Additional telephone calls, according to CG T-3, were made on [redacted] to Chicago [redacted] listed to [redacted] Chicago, Illinois, and on [redacted] to [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois

January 18, 1968

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1519

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	7/15/68	1/9/68 - 7/1/68

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: ab

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 1/18/68. b6 b7C b7D
Miami letter to Chicago dated 3/14/68.
Chicago letter to Springfield dated 3/29/68.
Chicago letter to Springfield dated 5/31/68.
Springfield letter to Chicago dated 6/12/68.

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LEADS

SPRINGFIELD

[redacted] ILLINOIS. Will interview [redacted] regarding his association with [redacted] and determine extent of [redacted]

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED: None						ACQUITTALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR [X] YES [ ] NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS [ ] YES [X] NO

APPROVED: [signature] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Agency	1	CC. AAG, Criminal Division,
Request Recd.		Organized Crime and Racketeering
Date Fwd.		Section, Room 2334.
How Fwd.		
By		59 JUL 31 1968

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CHICAGO

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will maintain contact with sources. b6 b7C b7D

ADMINISTRATIVE

On 2/13/68 and 6/27/68, [redacted] confidentially advised that [redacted] He said that [redacted] He opined that [redacted]

The period of this report is somewhat lengthy, however, it includes investigation conducted by an auxiliary office which predates the previous report submitted by the Chicago Division. Also subject's activities have been very limited due to his extremely bad health and if such continues consideration will be given to placing this case in a P* status.

FD-204 (Rev. 3-3-59)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted] Office: Chicago, Illinois
Date: July 15, 1968

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

Efforts to locate real estate holdings [redacted] negative. [redacted] Subject returned to Joliet, Illinois hospital for minor surgery in February, 1960. Results of license checks of cars observed parked in vicinity of subject's residence set out. [redacted]

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DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by SA

At Kewanee, Illinois

On January 9, 1968, Credit Bureau, advised that she could locate no file identifiable with

On January 9, 1968, advised that the name is not familiar to him.

It is noted that the is the term commonly used for the

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On January 15, 1968, advised that he is not familiar with stated that he is acquainted with all

telephone directory lists

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[redacted] advised that the subject was recently in the hospital for several days for minor surgery for a prostrate condition.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

[redacted] contacted March 7, 1968, advised that after a search of his tax records he could locate no real estate holdings [redacted]

[redacted] Credit Bureau, [redacted] contacted March 7, 1968, advised that her records reflect no reference for [redacted]

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On May 22, 1968, the following license numbers were observed on cars parked at the subject's residence:

1968 Illinois CW246
1968 Illinois LY6827

Both of these licenses are registered to Cooperative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

[redacted] Illinois

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On July 1, 1968, the following license number was observed on a car parked at the subject's residence:

1968 Illinois [redacted]

This license number is registered to [redacted] Illinois. The current [redacted] City Directory disclosed that [redacted] Illinois.

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Repeated contacts have been maintained with the following sources of information in Joliet for pertinent data on the subject with negative results:

[redacted]

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	11/15/68	7/25 - 11/8/68

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

REPORT MADE BY SA [redacted] TYPED BY djk

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 7/15/68, at Chicago.
Springfield letter to Chicago dated 7/25/68.
Chicago letter to Springfield dated 10/31/68.

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LEADS

SPRINGFIELD

AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. Information copy being furnished in view of outstanding investigation in that Division.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED NONE						ACQUITTALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☒ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☒ NO

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Agency		CC. AAG, Criminal Division,		
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By		Section, Room 2244		

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AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will contact [redacted] in an effort to determine if judgement against [redacted] the subject and [redacted] are satisfied, and if payment was made by check, and determine if the [redacted]

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INFORMANTS

Source

CG T-1

[redacted]

Contacting Agent

Special Agent [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: November 15, 1968

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File #: 92-1519

Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY, aka

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: [redacted] Subject alleged to own two apartment complexes in South Chicago Heights, Illinois, known as the Oak Development Corporation. [redacted] Local sources of information unable to provide any current information on subject's activities.

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DETAILS:

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent [redacted] Illinois:

On July 24, 1968, [redacted]

[redacted]

To his knowledge [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted]

CG T-1 advised on October 1, 1968, that [redacted] allegedly owned by the Oak Development Corporation, Joliet, Illinois, which according to [redacted] is owned by the subject.

[redacted] Al Baskin's Department Store, Cass and Ottawa, Joliet, Illinois, advised that the store has obtained a judgement against the subject [redacted] in the amount of $505.28, for unpaid merchandise obtained during the period January, 1965, to January, 1967. A judgement has also been obtained [redacted] in the amount of $497.94, for failure to pay for merchandise obtained during the period December, 1965, to January 6, 1967. this collection matter has been turned over to [redacted]

During the Investigative Period contacts have been maintained with the following sources of information who were unable to provide any current information on the subject's activities:

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

219 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, Illinois 60604
November 15, 1968

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1519

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY,
ALSO KNOWN AS

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference REPORT OF SPECIAL AGENT [redacted] b6 b7C
DATED NOVEMBER 15, 1968

All sources (except any listed below) whose identities are concealed in referenced communication have furnished reliable information in the past.

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	1/31/69	11/19 - 1/27/69

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: amr

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 11/15/68 at Chicago.
Springfield letter to Chicago, 12/24/68.

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The subject's activities have been very limited due to his extremely bad health and in view of this situation, this matter is being placed in a P* status for a period of 90 days at which time this matter will be re-evaluated.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED none						ACQUITTALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR [X] YES [ ] NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS [ ] YES [X] NO

APPROVED [redacted] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Date Fwd. CC. AAG, Criminal Division; Organized Crime and Racketeering Section, Room 2244
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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, CHICAGO

Report of: SA [redacted] b6 b7C
Date: 1/31/69

Office: CHICAGO

Field Office File #: 92-1519

Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subject continues to have outstanding debt at local Joliet, Illinois, department store. Letter sent to "City Manager" from "the bookkeeper, 516 Western, Joliet, Illinois" the subject's residence, complaining about water bill. Sources of information in Joliet, Illinois, unable to furnish any information on subject's activity and indicate he has serious health problems.

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DETAILS

[redacted] advised on November 20 and December 20, 1968, [redacted] AL BASKINs Department store, where the subject, [redacted] have outstanding bills. He stated that to his knowledge summons have been issued for all concerned however, efforts by the Will County Sheriff's Office to serve them have been unsuccessful.

[redacted] he believes that as a result of the efforts by the Sheriff's Office, the [redacted] however, he is not aware of the current status of the matter. b6 b7C b7D

On January 8, 1969, [redacted] Al Baskins, Ottawa and Cass Streets, Joliet, Illinois, advised that the subject has been in contact with SHALE BASKIN, President, in an effort to negotiate the subject's indebtedness to the store. He stated that he did not know how SHALE BASKIN was going to handle the subject's account, [redacted] that he had learned that the subject [redacted]

On January 10, 1969, [redacted] City Hall, Joliet, Illinois made available a xerox copy of a letter addressed to [redacted] "City Manager" and signed "The Bookkeeper, 516 Western, Joliet, Illinois," the subject's residence.

The letter is as follows:

City Manager
City of Joliet
150 N. Jefferson St.
Joliet, Ill. 60431

Jan. 3, 1969.

Dear Sir:

This is the fifth time I have tried to bring this matter to your attention. The residence at 516 Western Ave. is occupied about 7 months out of the year with the exception of the housekeeper and caretaker and the water bill is estimated every month at $20.00 per month.

We would like to have a meter reader arrange a time to read the meter. The caretaker is on the premises every day until noon.

Please have this meter read and readjust our bill for

the past year and a half.

Our water consumption during the unoccupied time should be the very minimum about $3.00 per month.

The bookkeeper,
576 Western
Joliet,
Ill.

The following investigation was conducted by IC [redacted]

[redacted] Corporation Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised on December 19, 1968 that the Oak Development Corporation was incorporated August 16, 1965, and an annual report for this corporation was filed July 2, 1968, which reflects the following:

Registered Agent — THOMAS M. MONAHAN
Registered Office — 3211 West 103rd Street, Chicago, Illinois

Officers and Directors

THOMAS MONAHAN, President and Director, [redacted] b6 b7C

GEORGE COFFEY, Secretary and Director, [redacted]

JOHN MC GUIRE, Treasurer and Director, [redacted]

[redacted] also advised that the character of this business is realty construction and management and that this corporation is authorized to issue 20,000 shares of common stock with no par value as of the preceding December 31st and that they issued 2,100 shares of common stock with no par value as of the preceding December 31st, and their stated capital is given as $61,000 with no bid in surplus.

The following sources of information were contacted in the Joliet, Illinois area, and were unable to provide any background information on the subject:

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The above sources, in each instance, all noted that they had heard the subject has a serious health problem and his activity is very limited if not non-existant.

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	9/24/69	6/9 - 9/19/69

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: ear

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 1/31/69, at Chicago. b6 b7C

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[redacted] Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Joliet, Illinois, made available to SA [redacted] records of toll calls made to or from subject's phones, from the period [redacted] These were furnished by [redacted] on [redacted]

For information Charlotte and Cleveland, subject has been the reputed rackets boss in Will County, Illinois, for a period of [redacted] years. However, in recent years his activities have declined, because of poor health.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED ☐ NONE							CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES	ACQUIT-TALS	PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☑ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☑ NO

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Notations: NONE STAT. SECT.

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CLEVELAND

AT CLEVELAND, OHIO. Contact appropriate sources to determine their knowledge of any travel to Cleveland, by subject, during June or July, 1969. It should be noted that phone calls were placed from Willoughby, Ohio, to the CURRY residence, on [redacted] Through appropriate sources, attempt to determine if CURRY made any contacts with known elements LCN, Cleveland area.

CHARLOTTE

[redacted] NORTH CAROLINA. Same lead as that set for Cleveland, noting collect phone calls were made from [redacted] to the CURRY residence, in Joliet, Illinois.

SPRINGFIELD

AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. Will at the Secretary of States Office attempt to determine owner of the Cooperative Music Company, 1718 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois, and the Valley Amusement Company, Aurora, Illinois. b7D

[redacted] ILLINOIS. Will locate and identify subscriber to telephone [redacted] Check office indices and conduct credit and identification checks, feasible in an effort to determine if subscribers have any hoodlum connections.

CHICAGO

AT AURORA, ILLINOIS. Will through appropriate sources determine all available data, concerning Valley Music Company.

AT CHICAGO HEIGHTS, ILLINOIS. Will through appropriate sources obtain all available data, concerning Cooperative Music Company, 1718 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. 1. Will identify subscribers to the following numbers and area code [redacted]

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When subscribers have been identified, check office indices, and conduct credit and identification checks, in an effort to determine if subscribers have any hoodlum connections.

2. Will contact [redacted]

Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: 9/24/69

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 92-1519

Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character:
ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis:

[redacted] Registration of subject's vehicle determined. Subject's credit status, at Will County Credit Bureau, Joliet, Illinois, set out. Details of payments of outstanding debt at local Joliet, Illinois, department store set forth. Status of subject's water bill set forth. Record of toll calls to or from subject's phone, during period [redacted] set forth. Sources of information in Joliet, Illinois, unable to furnish information, on subject's activities, and indicate he continues to have a serious health problem. b6 b7C b7D

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DETAILS:

On June 9, 1969, [redacted] Joliet, Illinois, and [redacted] Joliet, Illinois, both advised that [redacted]

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[redacted] advised that they have been asked by [redacted] to determine [redacted] association with [redacted] Neither knew [redacted] and both stated their [redacted] to the best of their knowledge is [redacted] Both advised they [redacted]

On June 19, 1969, [redacted] advised that he had information that [redacted]

On July 15, 1969, [redacted] Joliet Police Department, Joliet, Illinois, advised he had determined that FRANCIS CURRY is presently using a 1969 Buick, which bears 1969 Illinois license CF2077. [redacted] stated that he had determined this license is registered to the Cooperative Music Company, 1718 South Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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On August 15, 1969, [redacted] Will County Credit Bureau, advised a review of her files indicate that FRANCIS CURRY is the subject of a civil suit number W68M2BM-611, filed October 28, 1968, by AL BASKIN, for goods and merchandise, in the amount of $505.28. She stated this matter was being handled by [redacted] an Attorney, who represents AL BASKIN. She stated that her files reflected no further information, concerning CURRY.

On August 22, 1969, [redacted] AL BASKIN's, Ottawa and Cass Streets, Joliet, Illinois, advised that his firm had accepted a cashier's check, in the latter part of February, 1969, from the subject, which paid the account in full. [redacted] that the account, at the time payment was made, was in the amount of $843.17 and represented charges [redacted] stated that acknowledgement of payment was made [redacted] AL BASKIN's, in a letter dated March 1, 1961. In the letter, SHALE BASKIN advised CURRY he had called his bluff and that his firm had indeed used "guts", in dealing with CURRY. [redacted] stated that his firm would no longer extend any of the CURRYs CREDIT

On August 25, 1969, [redacted]

[redacted]

On September 19, 1969, [redacted] city of Joliet, Joliet, Illinois, advised that his office did nothing, concerning a letter written January 3, 1969, by the bookkeeper, 516 Western, Joliet, Illinois, which is the residence of the subject. He stated that the city had no intention of reducing the subject's water bill. [redacted] stated that a review of their records indicated that the subject's water bill was current, for the first time in many years.

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On September 19, 1969, the records of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Joliet, Illinois, as reviewed, revealed the following toll calls, during the period June 16, 1969, [redacted] to or from the subject's home phone:

Date	Number Called
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Date	Number Called

The following sources of information have been contacted, in Joliet, Illinois, area, and have been unable to provide any additional information, on the subject:

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The above sources still report the subject has a serious health problem, which is believed to be cancer, and his activity is very limited, if not non-existent.

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	12/4/69	9/20 - 12/1/69

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: mmc

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 9/24/69, at Chicago.
Charlotte letter to Chicago dated 10/14/69.
Springfield letter to Chicago dated 10/16/69.
Cleveland letter to Chicago dated 11/25/69.
Chicago airtel to Miami dated 12/1/69.

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AT MIAMI, FLORIDA. 1. Contact [redacted] re any information he has concerning CURRY's residence in Florida.

2. Attempt to determine if CURRY anticipates full time residence in Florida.

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Accomplishments - none

Pending over one year - no
Pending prosecution - no

APPROVED: [redacted] SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

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Agency	CC, AAG, Criminal Division	
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Date Fwd.	Organized Crime and Racketeering	
How Fwd.	[redacted]	
By	[redacted]	

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CHICAGO

AT AURORA, ILLINOIS. Will through appropriate sources, obtain all available data concerning Valley Music Company, which was located at 157 or 164 North Fransworth Avenue, Aurora.

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will identify subscribers to telephone numbers [redacted] as requested in re report and conduct appropriate credit, indices and identification checks, to determine if these subscribers have any hoodlum connection.

2. Will contact officials at [redacted] as requested in referenced report.

AT JOLIET, ILLINOIS. Will through appropriate sources, attempt to determine if CURRY anticipates permanent residence in Florida. b7D

ADMINISTRATIVE

It is noted period of investigation exceeds 45 days. This was done so that results of investigation in other offices could be included in this report.

INFORMANTS

T-1 is [redacted] T-2 is [redacted] T-3 is [redacted]

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: December 4, 1969

Office: Chicago, Illinois

Field Office File #: 92-1519

Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

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Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Results of investigation at Springfield, Illinois, concerning [redacted] set forth. Results of investigation at Springfield, Illinois, concerning Valley Music Company, Aurora, Illinois, and Co-Operative Music Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois, set forth. Results of investigation to determine subscribers to telephone nmbers [redacted] and [redacted] Illinois, set forth. Results of investigation at [redacted] North Carolina, negative, concerning CURRY. T-3 advised CURRY no longer active in Joliet, Illinois area because of ill health. Sources established [redacted] in apparent legitimate enterprise. Results at Cleveland negative concerning CURRY. Co-Operative Music Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois, owned and operated by FRANK LA PORTE with business conducted by FRANK FRANZE. Joliet PD advised CURRY has established residence at 5801 Lagorce Drive, Miami Beach, Florida.

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

At Springfield, Illinois

On October 6, 1952, an investigation was begun in Springfield in a case entitled [redacted] The application submitted by [redacted] listed his employment as [redacted]

A review of this file reflects [redacted] description as follows:

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Race	White
Sex	Male
Height	[redacted]
Weight	
Hair	
Eyes	
Date of birth	
Place of birth	
Social Security Account Number	
Education	
Military	

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The Springfield file contains extensive background data [redacted] concerning his previous employments, addresses, and his family. b6 b7C

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] on October 2, 1969:

At Springfield, Illinois

[redacted] Corporation Records, Secretary of State, advised his department has no record of a corporation on Cooperative Music Company, 1718 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois, or Valley Amusement Company, Aurora, Illinois.

[redacted] noted he has two references for Valley Music Company, Inc., Aurora, Illinois, under Box 3695, #858, and Box 3061, #482. He advised these corporations are now dissolved and their records would be located in the State Archives, Springfield.

[redacted] State Archives, Springfield, furnished the two records of Valley Music Company, Inc. The files contained the following information:

Box 3695, #314858 is listed to Valley Music Company, Inc., 157 North Farnsworth Avenue, Aurora, Illinois. This corporation was incorporated May 9, 1957 and dissolved June 8, 1966. The office was previously located at 164 North Farnsworth, Aurora, Illinois. Incorporators were listed as follows:

B. WILLIAM POSS, President

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MARJORIE POSS

[redacted]

BERNARD N. POSS

[redacted]

A notation was made in this file of inventory equipment and stock not traded of [redacted] Valley Vending Company, Aurora, Illinois, was purchased by this corporation.

Box 3061, #251482 was assigned to Valley Music Company, Inc., no address given. This company was incorporated May 1, 1948 and dissolved December 21, 1948. Incorporators were listed as BERNARD N. POSS, MARJORIE POSS, and JOHN P. FIDLER, with address listed as 1820 Liberty Street, Aurora, Illinois, for all, (possibly business address of corporation). The purpose of this corporation was described as "to buy or sell or rent musical and amusement equipment" and "to own, operate, rent or sell coin operated amusement devices."

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The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

At Kewanee, Illinois

The 1969 Kewanee, Illinois City Directory revealed that telephone number [redacted] is listed to [redacted] and that telephone number 853-3361 is listed to the Kewanee Public Hospital, Kewanee, Illinois.

On October 1, 1969, [redacted] Kewanee, Illinois Credit Bureau, stated they have had a file on [redacted]

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By communication dated October 14, 1969, the Charlotte Office advised that inasmuch as account code numbers are not available on calls made from [redacted] North Carolina, [redacted] no trace could be made for the call and its location in the [redacted] area could not be determined.

On November 5, 1969, T-3, who has furnished reliable information in the past, advised he had determined CURRY is no longer active in the Joliet area because of ill health. However, he advised subject [redacted] Aurora, Illinois. This firm deals with the distribution of "jute boxes" at Kane County, Illinois, and does a good business by "piping in" music to various business establishments. According to T-3, this enterprise is legitimate and to the best of his knowledge [redacted] is not affiliated with anyone [redacted] b6 b7C b7D

In addition, [redacted] have also been selling and leasing pool tables, as a side business connected with the Valley Music Company.

T-3 further stated that all jute boxes in Will County are still controlled by the Co-Operative Music Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois, which concern FRANCIS CURRY was formerly associated with. T-3 stated FRANCIS CURRY reportedly has a cancer ailment which limits his activities.

On November 20, 1969, Special Agent (SA) [redacted], advised the Co-Operative Music Company, 1728 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, is owned and operated by FRANK LA PORTE, in partnership with several other Chicago Heights hoodlums. The actual business of the company is conducted by FRANK FRANZE.

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted] at Cleveland, Ohio:

Recent contacts with T-1 and T-2 disclosed that they know nothing about CURRY or any activities with which CURRY may be involved in Cleveland.

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On December 1, 1969, [redacted] Joliet, Illinois Police Department (PD), advised his department was in receipt of a letter from [redacted] In this letter [redacted] advised his department was conducting an investigation concerning CURRY [redacted] whose local Miami address is 5801 Lagorce Drive, Miami Beach. The Joliet PD was requested to furnish any background information concerning CURRY [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	2/6/70	12/12/69 - 1/27/70

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY ear

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCE: Report of SA [redacted] dated 12/4/69, at Chicago.
Miami letter to Chicago dated 1/20/70.
Chicago airtel to Springfield dated 1/23/70.

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SPRINGFIELD

AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. Will as set out in referenced airtel determine if subject's car has any lien against it and also determine subject's present driver's license number. If available and in file will furnish subject's 1970 registration information.

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ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED None

CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES	ACQUIT-TALS

CASE HAS BEEN:
PENDING OVER ONE YEAR [ ] YES [X] NO
PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS [ ] YES [X] NO

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AT AURORA, ILLINOIS. Will through appropriate sources, obtain all available data concerning the Valley Music Company, which was located at 157 or 164 North Farnsworth Avenue, Aurora.

CHICAGO

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. Will contact officials at [redacted] re any information, concerning [redacted]

INFORMANTS

CG T-1 [redacted]

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: 2/6/70

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 92-1519

Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Subscribers to Chicago area telephone numbers called by subject identified. CG T-1 advised subject has not been in his Miami home for about 2 years and further advised that subject had been in Boston, Massachusetts, where he underwent a checkup, possibly for cancer [redacted] advised he has developed no information that subject is contemplating moving to Florida in the near future. Sources available Joliet, Illinois, report no activity of subject, who still continues to be in ill health.

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DETAILS:

A public service operator of the Illinois Bell Telephone Company, Chicago, Illinois, advised as follows, on December 12, 1969:

Telephone number [redacted] was listed to a [redacted] This subscriber [redacted] number [redacted]

Telephone number 755-1207, area code 312, is listed to the SANTI CIPRIANI Grocery Store, 1037 Dixie Highway, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

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Telephone number 799-5151, area code 312, is listed to DUNNING's Market, 18676 Dixie Highway, Homewood, Illinois.

Telephone number 898-4122, area code 312, is listed to the Valley Music Company, Inc., and Valley Vending Service, 157 North Farnsworth, Aurora, Illinois.

Telephone number 755-4684, area code 312, is listed to the Cooperative Music Company, 728 Halsted, Chicago Heights, Illinois.

Chicago files contain no information, concerning CIPRIANI's Grocery, or DUNNING's Market. However, both of these stores are known for their speciality grocery products. DUNNING's Market is well known for its high quality meats, in south suburban area of Chicago, and CIPRIANI's is known for its high quality grocery and speciality products.

Chicago files contain numerous references to the Valley Music Company, Inc., and Cooperative Music Company. Much of this information has previously been set forth.

There are numerous references to a [redacted] however, no specific references to [redacted] at the address listed to telephone number [redacted] or telephone number [redacted]

On 1/15/70, CG T-1 advised that the subject or any of his relatives have not been at their Miami residence for about 2 years. CG T-1 further stated that [redacted] b6 b7C b7D [redacted] the subject [redacted] he had undergone a checkup, possibly for cancer. At that [redacted]

CG T-1 stated that the CURRY residence in Miami is badly in need of painting [redacted]

On 1/16/70, [redacted] advised that he had no information that CURRY was contemplating moving to Florida in the near future. [redacted] could furnish no subsequent information concerning CURRY's activities.

On 1/5/70 and 1/27/70, [redacted] Joliet Police Department, Joliet, Illinois, advised he has developed no information which would indicate subject is contemplating a permanent move to Miami, Florida. In addition, he stated that he is not aware of any activities of the subject, at the present time. [redacted] stated that he continues to hear reports the subject is suffering from some type of ailment, which is possibly cancer. b6 b7C

On 1/13/70, [redacted] Will County Sheriff's Office, Joliet, Illinois, advised he has developed no information concerning the subject's activities in the Joliet area, as well as in the Will County area.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois 60604
February 6, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. CG 92-1519

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted] dated and captioned as above. b6 b7C

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	3/26/70	1/23 - 3/19/70

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

REPORT MADE BY: SA [redacted] TYPED BY: mr

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 2/6/70, at Chicago.
Springfield airtel to Chicago dated 2/4/70.
Springfield letter to Chicago dated 3/10/70.

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AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS.

1. Will identify person to whom 1970 Illinois License [redacted] was issued.

ACCOMPLISHMENTS CLAIMED					☑ NONE	ACQUIT-TALS	CASE HAS BEEN:
CONVIC.	AUTO.	FUG.	FINES	SAVINGS	RECOVERIES		PENDING OVER ONE YEAR ☑ YES ☐ NO PENDING PROSECUTION OVER SIX MONTHS ☐ YES ☑ NO

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2. Will, at the Secretary of State's Office, develop all background info re Co-Op Trucking Company, and the Co-op Truck Leasing Company, reportedly owned by subject, FRANK LA PORTE, and others.

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AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

1. Will maintain contact with Intelligence Division, IRS, re their investigation of subject and FRANK LA PORTE.

2. Will review records [redacted] which loan was defaulted and caused IRS investigation of subject and LA PORTE.

ADMINISTRATIVE

It is noted the investigative period precludes report of 2/6/70. This was necessary in order to include investigation conducted on 1/23/70, 1/29/70, and 2/2/70.

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INFORMANTS

CG T-1 [redacted]

CG T-2 [redacted]

CG T-3 is SA [redacted]

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Copy to: 1 - USA, Chicago

Report of: SA [redacted]
Date: 3/24/70

Office: Chicago

Field Office File #: 92-1519

Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: Investigation at Aurora, Illinois, concerning Valley Music Company set forth. CG T-1 advised [redacted] b6 b7C b7D revealed 1969 Illinois License CF 2077 issued to Cooperative Music Company, Chicago Heights, Illinois, on 1969 Buick. Review of Drivers License Division, Secretary of State's Office, Springfield, Ill., reveal subject has no current driver's license and is not the registered owner of any vehicle. Investigation indicates subject may be driving 1969 Buick with 1970 Ill. License SN 7547. CG T-2 reports subject, FRANK LA PORTE, and others reported partners in the Co-op Trucking Company, and the Co-op Truck Leasing Company. CG T-2 further advised [redacted]

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DETAILS:

On January 23, 1970, [redacted] Credit Bureau of Aurora, Aurora, Illinois, advised that the records of the bureau reflect that the Valley Music Company was first put in file October 23, 1947, and the owner at that time was [redacted] and the business was owned solely by him with approximately six employees. There have been very few inquiries made concerning the business. The last inquiry having been made in July, 1967, by an investment company and the last up-to-date report in July, 1949. The last inquiry in 1967 was made by the Phillips 66 Petroleum Company. The file contains no further information. b6 b7C b7D

On January 23, 1970, CG T-1 advised that FRANK CURRY is no longer at the Valley Music Company [redacted]

On February 2, 1970, [redacted] Auto Registration Section, Secretary of State, Springfield, Illinois, advised 1969 Illinois License CF 2077 was issued to Co-Operative Music Company, 1718 Halsted Street, Chicago Heights, Illinois, for a 1969 Buick two-door sport coupe, Vehicle Identification Number 484579H165519. The auto registration receipt was signed Co-Operative Music Company by FRANK FRANZE.

No 1970 License number was available for subject at this time.

On March 6, 1970, CG T-3 advised subject [redacted]

The following investigation was conducted by SA [redacted]

On February 24, 1970, [redacted] Illinois Drivers License Division, Secretary of State's Office, Springfield, Illinois, advised that no current driver's license could be found for FRANCIS JEROME CURRY; however, an expired license was found and the information is as follows:

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Name	FRANCIS J. CURRY
Address	516 Western Avenue
Driver's License #	C600-2500-2352
Expired	December 11, 1969
Social Security #	361-32-1451
Sex	Male
Height	6'
Weight	157
Hair	Brown
Eyes	Blue
Date of birth	December 11, 1902
Traffic offenses	6/21/67 - Improper lane usage and turn at intersection - no employment shown - no fine shown 10/24/68 - Speeding (76 in 60) $15 fine, $5 costs.

On March 9, 1970, [redacted] Illinois State Automobile Registration Section, Secretary of State's Office, Springfield, advised there was no car registered to FRANCIS JEROME CURRY.

1969 Illinois tag number CF 2077 is registered to Co-Operative Music Company, 1718 Halsted Street, Chicago, Illinois, for a 1969 Buick, Vehicle Identification Number 484579H165519.

Title Certificate Number D161-114 evidences a lien dated December 31, 1968, to GMAC, 101 North Springfield, Joliet, Illinois, on the above mentioned automobile for $5,478.30. The date title was issued is January 30, 1969.

There is no 1970 license (Illinois) in file to date for above mentioned Buick. [redacted] advised tag numbers would show in file approximately three weeks after purchase.

On March 10, 1970, investigation in the vicinity 516 Western Avenue, Joliet, Illinois, which is subject's legal residence, determined subject may be driving a 1969 Buick Electra, two-door coupe, bearing 1970 Illinois License [redacted] This vehicle was observed in the CURRY driveway. b6 b7C b7D

On March 10, 1970, CG T-2 advised information was recently received that subject may have had some business transactions [redacted]

CG T-2 further advised that [redacted]

Co-op. Trucking Company, consisting of FRANK LA PORTE, FRANK BOMPENSIERO, FRANCIS J. CURRY, [redacted] FRANK FRANZE (LA PORTE's brother-in-law), [redacted]

Co-op. Truck Leasing Company, consisting of FRANK LA PORTE, FRANK BOMPENSIERO, [redacted] FRANCIS J. CURRY,

According to CG T-2, these companies borrowed [redacted] to buy equipment. [redacted]

After a few months, the California construction companies stopped making lease payments and the local partnerships in Chicago ceased making mortgage payments [redacted] The bank repossessed the equipment and sold it, suffering a loss [redacted]

[redacted] is attempting to attend these transactions and he issued a summons to FRANK LA PORTE. LA PORTE came in, accompanied by his attorney, and claimed his privilege under the Fifth Amendment. [redacted] attempted to locate FRANCIS J. CURRY to interrogate him regarding these transactions.

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CURRY would take the Fifth Amendment if called.

CG T-2 stated that he has determined [redacted] In addition, he had advised [redacted] has not encountered [redacted] name anywhere in his investigation to date.

On March 19, 1970, [redacted] Joliet Police Department, Joliet, Illinois, advised he had information that subject had ordered three 1970 Cadillacs [redacted] in the Chicago area.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Chicago, Illinois
March 26, 1970

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No. 92-1519

Title FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character ANTI-RACKETEERING

[redacted] Reference is made to report of Special Agent [redacted] at Chicago, dated and captioned as above. b6 b7C

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FRANCIS J. CURRY, AKA. AR. 00: CHICAGO.

AS BUREAU AWARE CURRY HAS BEEN UPPER ECHELON LEADER ORGANIZED CRIME CHICAGO WITH RESPONSIBILITY FOR JOLIET, ILLINOIS, WHOSE CAREER DATES BACK TO AL CAPONE ERA.

ON MAY FIVE LAST CURRY EXPIRED ST. JOSEPH HOSPITAL, JOLIET, AFTER HAVING BEEN TAKEN TO HOSPITAL MAY TWO LAST WITH HISTORY OF HEART TROUBLE AND CANCER.

CURRY TO BE WAKED AT TEZAK FUNERAL HOME, JOLIET, MAY SIX AND SEVEN, BURIED ST. OLIVET CEMETERY, JOLIET, MAY EIGHT NEXT.

IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT NUMEROUS LEADERS AND PROMINENT MEMBERS ORGANIZED CRIME CHICAGO AREA WILL ATTEND WAKE AND FUNERAL.

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REPORTING OFFICE	OFFICE OF ORIGIN	DATE	INVESTIGATIVE PERIOD
CHICAGO	CHICAGO	MAY 19 1970	4/3/70 - 5/8/70

TITLE OF CASE

FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

REPORT MADE BY [redacted] TYPED BY mkn

CHARACTER OF CASE

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REFERENCES: Report of SA [redacted] dated 3/26/70, at Chicago.
Chicago teletype to Bureau dated 5/6/70.

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AT SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS. Discontinue.

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Report of: SA [redacted] Office: CHICAGO

Date: MAY 19 1970

Field Office File #: 92-1519 Bureau File #: 92-1369

Title: FRANCIS JEROME CURRY

Character: ANTI-RACKETEERING

Synopsis: On 4/3/70, [redacted] Joliet Police Department, Joliet, Illinois, advised subject still in poor health and activities limited. On 4/24/70, [redacted] advised subject's health continues to be poor. Subject succumbed to heart seizure, St. Joseph's Hospital, Joliet, Illinois, on 5/5/70. Final services held and subject interred Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Joliet, Illinois, on 5/8/70.

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DETAILS:

On April 3, 1970, [redacted] Joliet Police Department, Joliet, Illinois, advised subject still in poor health and not presently active in any activities because of his condition.

On April 24, 1970, [redacted] stated subject's health continues to be poor and this causes his activities to be very restricted.

On May 5, 1970, [redacted] Joliet, Illinois, advised subject had been taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, Joliet, Illinois, by ambulance on May 2, 1970. [redacted] advised subject died in the early afternoon, May 5, 1970.

Inquiry at St. Joseph's Hospital, on May 5, 1970, revealed subject succumbed 2:55 p.m., May 5, 1970, from cardiac arrest.

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Subject was waked at Tezak Funeral Home, Joliet, Illinois, May 6 - 7, 1970. Subject received requiem burial mass, St. Raymond's Cathedral, Joliet, Illinois, May 8, 1970, and his remains were interred Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Joliet, Illinois.

It is noted the only notable syndicate person in attendance at subject's funeral was his long-time associate and boss, FRANK LA PORTE.